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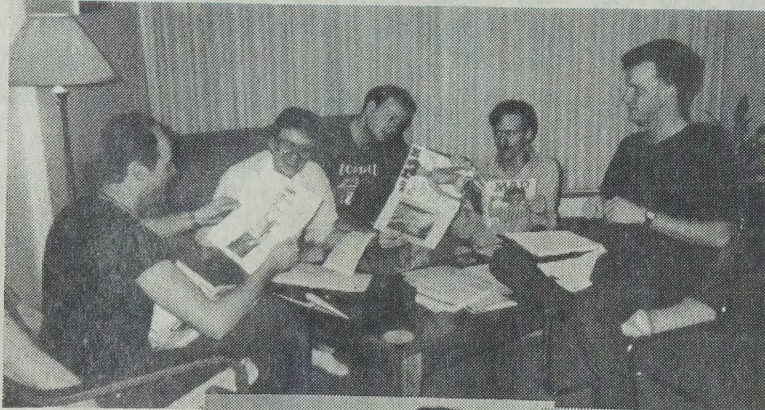
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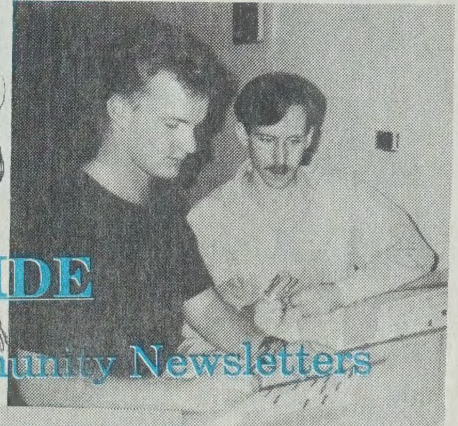
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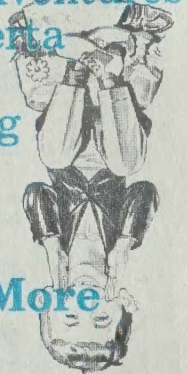


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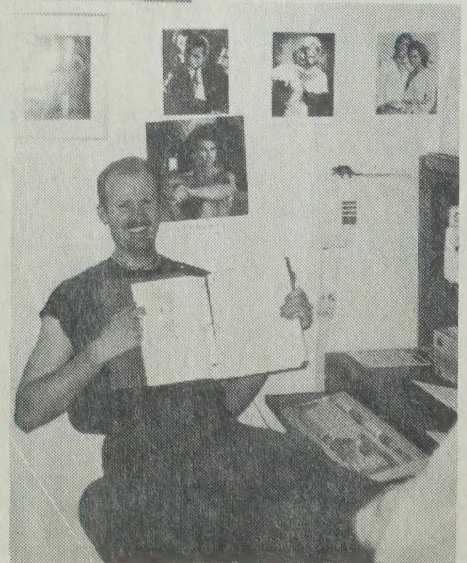
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### Jim McMullin

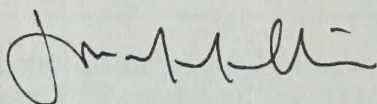
What seems like just a short while ago, a few people had an idea for a little newsletter. With some pocket change and a few hours' work the first issue of *Modern Pink* rolled off the press in 1989.

Two years later the job of publishing this magazine, now *AGLP*, requires hundreds of volunteer hours and several thousand dollars each month to cover our expenses.

While publishing the magazine is sometimes very hard, the support we receive from our communities makes it all worthwhile.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the many people who have helped make this magazine happen each month. From writers to advertisers to readers, your involvement has made a difference. Thank you.

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### Daphne Fox

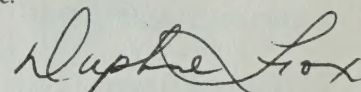
In October 1990, I attended my first *Modern Pink Magazine* Editorial Meeting. When asked for my input, I indicated that the magazine appeared to be in need of "the female voice". I proceeded to provide that female voice, and was then asked in November to take over the duties of Copy Editor.

Juggling my time between editing *Modern Pink* submissions and proofing material for the Alexandra Writers' Centre Society's magazine *FreeFall*, as well as teaching a course for Alexandra, I scarcely found time to write. However, so far, I have managed to squeak through every month with "something".

Aside from a marvellous exercise in self-discipline, working with *Modern Pink (AGLP)* has provided me with a forum for writing about that which is nearest and dearest to my heart, and the freedom to express my thoughts and opinions.

Being the only parent on board, it was inevitable that my regular column, Parents' Corner, was born. The other inevitability of having children and being part of a group of volunteers is evidenced by the fact that my children are often dragged "to work" with me. I would never be tempted to disclose that Joey enjoys playing "Sprouts" which is a dot-to-dot drawing game, or that Randy's Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer sketches live on in Technicolor splendor on my fridge. Then there's Gene educating my son on those typical "male things", like which screwdriver is the Phillips and what a level is used for. And I'll bet none of you know that Jim makes a wicked hot chocolate with peppermint.

Seriously though, I am grateful to be part of such a dedicated (and energetic) group of individuals. I have seen incredible growth in the magazine, and I see only bigger and better things in the future.



### Edna Herself

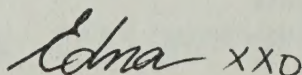
My involvement with the magazine is two-fold. Number one... Johnny, my faithful lawyer, was inundated with requests from you glorious fans and the press for my marvelous adventures & helpful pointers.

In order to reduce his stress level, I consented, however reluctantly, to publish on a monthly basis with the *Alberta Gay & Lesbian Press*.

Number Two... money!! Although I have no need for the additional money at this point, I am still of the opinion that an opportunity is an opportunity, and when it knocks, you better answer, or it will go away and never come back.

After all, if I hadn't seen the need years ago, for a line of stabilizer heels I would still be living on Park Avenue in that measly little 72-room condo.

I hope that you enjoy reading my tales as much as I have enjoyed experiencing them.



### Joey Sayer

I freelance. This means that I can write or draw virtually anything I want and have it published virtually anywhere I want -- assuming, of course, I can convince the publisher involved that what I've come up with is worthy of being published; not always an easy task.

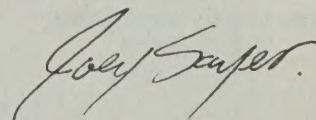
The good part about freelancing is that I really have no one to answer to: if I don't agree with my editor or my publisher as to what I produce, I can pull out. The downside is that as a result, I've never known a freelancer who's made a living from freelancing.

This then is what freelancing means to most of us who do so: the rush that creating offers us; the excitement of seeing our work in print; the knowledge that a bit of ourselves has been shared with others. And all this is as pure as possible, untainted by the threat of not receiving the next paycheck. (Hypocritically, though, not many of us would turn down our royalties.)

Freelancing has afforded me the opportunity to experiment in various genres and various formats, from whatever it is that I do for Thank You and Good Afternoon in *AGLP*, to the comic book story *Mothman* for Earth Prime Productions, to spot illos for various magazines and newsletters, to illustrating old David Bowie songs as children's books, to adapting a short story I wrote, *Annie's Song*, into a one-act play.

Before I go, though, on behalf of all us freelancers, I'd like to thank *AGLP* and the *Modern Pink Public Awareness Foundation* for giving us the chance to be...free.

THANK YOU AND GOOD AFTERNOON -- Joey.





## Putting It All Together:

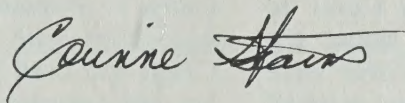
Personal notes from the collective that brings you **AGLP**.

### Corinne Stearns

I just recently joined the **Alberta Gay & Lesbian Press** and I'm sure I'm in for a challenge as well as a learning experience.

I'd like to see our gay and lesbian community organized. I feel working with **AGLP** and the communities it reaches will make various organizations and functions more accessible and enjoyable. The end result will be more people participating. If we can all work together we can drop the borders and begin supporting and learning from each other. We have the opportunity and the ability to channel a more productive and positive attitude within our communities.

I believe eventually our communities can stand together proud and united. I look forward to meeting most of you and hope we can all work together to achieve our goals.



### Paul Harris

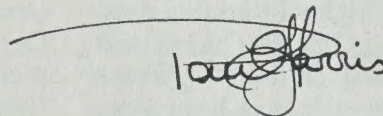
During the past couple of years, I have become acutely aware of the need for effective communication in the gay and lesbian communities in order to effect positive changes in both the gay & lesbian subcultures, and the communities in which we live.

In order to do this, educational information needs to be available about the various organizations that presently exist, and what influence they have on both gay and non-gay communities. The **Alberta Gay & Lesbian Press** is an ideal vehicle to fill such a need.

My involvement with **AGLP** is for the purpose of creating greater public awareness. As one of co-ordinators of *Alliance*, the community news section of the magazine, I have seen overwhelming enthusiasm by every organization contacted to become involved in the network process.

I am extremely pleased with the progress this first month and look to a future when **AGLP** will be a vital and essential driving force that will move the gay & lesbian subculture forward.

I am involved in helping that process and I am thankful that my participation is needed. I look forward to getting to know many of you.



### Randy Milanovic

Eighteen years ago, I made a discovery that was bound to change my life forever.

You see, I was gay.

I hardly ever heard anything on the topic. When I did, it was usually words which were seldom used for any other purpose than starting a fight.

The lack of exposure to any gay-positive information or individuals kept me deep (I mean DEEP) in the closet.

Then one day, after working and wandering around Calgary for the better

part of a year, I came upon a copy of *Modern Pink Magazine*.

Well! Talk about wakin' up and smelling the roses, Martha! A whole new world opened up to me with that February 1990 edition.

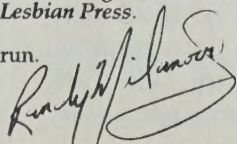
The submission and subsequent publishing of my short story *The Fix*, heralded the start of my participation as a volunteer for the magazine and my involvement in Alberta's gay communities.

I am proud to say that as a member of the *Modern Pink* collective of volunteers, I have been able to meet many positive lesbian and gay role models. The results of which have been a major factor in developing my own positive self-image.

I can really appreciate what *Modern Pink* does for the gays and lesbians of Alberta and can hardly wait to get down to business with the all-new **Alberta Gay & Lesbian Press**.

Well done *Modern Pink*!

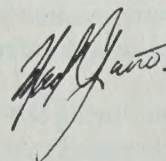
I'm definitely in this one for the long run.



### Mark Guire

**THE BIO THUS FAR:** Hi, I'm Mark. I'm probably the only contributor to this magazine who isn't gay, and my boyfriend Stan agrees with me. I write *Breeder*. In *Breeder*, there are references to a man named Gunter Dörser. There is no such person. Any similarity to an actual German scientist named Gunter Dörner is entirely coincidental. I've written lots of things. My name, for instance. Correctly even. Once, in grade two. I hope you enjoy *Breeder*. Lastly, I want everyone to know that I'm not as insipid as this bio makes me sound.

**NEXT MONTH:** No more bios.





# PREJUDICE: Out of the Closet

By Stephen Hamilton  
Calgary

A full 22 years have passed since the Stonewall Riots, the first public outcry of the rights of persons who are gay or lesbian. Over the decades, we have witnessed many gains in regard to our rights as citizens of the world and, more specifically, as citizens of Canada. These gains, however, often occur in isolated to specific institutions or groups, but they are steps towards acceptance, none the less.

We have seen three provinces and one territory amend their Individuals Rights Protection Acts. In Manitoba, Ontario, Quebec and the Northwest Territories persons who are gay or lesbian have some legal recourse against prejudiced attitudes and the discriminatory acts which the attitudes give way to. Unfortunately, this is not the case in Alberta. Here we have an apathetic and disinterested Human Rights Commission being governed by an equally apathetic and disinterested Provincial government. Such a lack of interest and concern, and the almost complete disregard for our community, allows bigoted and prejudiced attitudes and their actions to be accepted in Alberta. This disregard for our community and acceptance of bigoted attitudes has become evident with two such acts of discrimination in the province.

The first began during the end of 1990 and has continued through to 1991. Involved here is the Cover to Cover Book Cafe at 738 11 Ave. S.W., Calgary. The cafe has been presenting and co-sponsoring the

*Women Celebrating Women Nights* (WCW). WCW was "devoted to the promotion of women's artistic talent" by "providing a forum for all women's voices, whether or not they are disabled women, women of colour, lesbian or are of low income."

The WCW nights had been running for over one year when the cafe took offence to a woman who told her coming out story prior to reading her poetry. After this the cafe co-sponsor demanded a meeting with the CJSW co-sponsor.

It was at a meeting held December 21, 1990, a Cover to Cover representative stated the patrons of Cover to Cover were "tired of having lesbian material rammed down their throats," and that 'we just don't want anymore of this dyke shit in this club.'

They further demanded the right to screen and censor the material which was to be presented at the WCW nights to determine whether it was "offensive or inappropriate." As a result, WCW nights are no longer being held at the cafe because WCW organizers refuse to have their performers' creativity censored.

The second case within Alberta involves the dismissal of Delwin Vriend, a laboratory assistant from Kings College in Edmonton, because he was a "practicing homosexual". Kings college is a publicly funded (\$868,000 this year) institution which adopted a position statement of January 14, 1991 regarding persons who are gay or

lesbian.

The policy states:

*"We recognize that homosexual orientation is a condition which may not be of a person's own choosing, and as such may not be blameworthy. However, people are responsible for the way they act. Homosexual conduct, like heterosexual conduct, involves choices and is to be evaluated in light of the Bible's teachings regarding sexual conduct. Thus homosexual practice and the promotion of homosexual practice as an acceptable alternative to a normative heterosexual relationship, are considered contrary to the College's Statement of Faith and inconsistent with its mission. The College will continue to demonstrate love and compassion to any employee whose conduct appears to breach biblical norms. Recognizing the healing power of Christ's redemption, the college will explore possibilities of restoration. If, however, the continued conduct of an employee is judged to be inconsistent with the aims of the college, and to bring disrepute to the work of the college, such an employee may be asked to resign."*

Such acts of discrimination require all of our attention, as they continue to perpetuate prejudiced attitudes toward our gay and lesbian community. Attitudes like this will continue to force many persons who are gay or lesbian to remain in the closet and fear the repercussions of openly being themselves. If we remain silent and out of the public eye, further acts of discrimination will be allowed to surface and perpetuate an accepted societal reaction - 'the norm'. ▼



# ABOUT THE NEW MAGAZINE

*By Jim McMullin  
Calgary*

By this time, you'll have noticed some very significant changes to this magazine. Along with our name change and a few new features, we have switched to a new printing format.

The magazine is now printed at Bow Web Publishers in Calgary, on web presses. The paper is a high quality newsprint that is made in Alberta. The pulp for the

paper is made from scraps from the milling process, not from whole trees, as most paper is made. The paper is also unbleached, adding to its environmentally friendly qualities. The ink used by Bow Web has a Canola base - as opposed to a petroleum base - which is not only environmentally friendly, but reader friendly -- look, no black fingers anymore!!

*The Modern Pink Public  
Awareness Foundation* is still

publishing the magazine as a non-profit, volunteer run project. The magazines are now distributed free, which is made possible by the more efficient printing system. (Actually, it's about 40% cheaper to produce the magazine on a web press, if volume is high enough). For the month of March we are printing 3,500 copies of the magazine, with distribution across Alberta through community groups and businesses and across Canada by our extensive mailing list.

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# HIV NOT THE SOLE CAUSE?

By Rex Wockner

LOS ANGELES – The man who discovered human immunodeficiency virus (HIV), France's Dr. Luc Montagnier, now believes the virus may not by itself be the cause of AIDS.

Speaking in Los Angeles in December, as reported by the *Journal of the American Medical Association*, Montagnier said that an antibiotic resistant bacterium, *Mycoplasma pirum*, may be what stimulates HIV to evolve and begin damaging the immune system.

"HIV is necessary but may not be sufficient to cause AIDS," Montagnier said. "It is possible that mycoplasma may be a key factor at the beginning of [HIV] virus infection by amplifying the viral protein load, and may be a factor which triggers evolution of HIV infection to a state which inhibits the immune system."

Non-infection with *Mycoplasma pirum* may be why one in five HIV-infected individuals remain healthy 10 years after HIV seroconversion, Montagnier speculated.

Montagnier's laboratory work with mycoplasma has shown that its presence increases HIV replication. When he bombarded the laboratory mycoplasma with gamma radiation, HIV reproduction slowed.

A second approach – blocking the protein – binding sequence through which mycoplasma attached to cell – also slowed HIV activity in the lab.

If an antibiotic could be found to attack the mycoplasma, Montagnier's theory could be tested in humans. He says a "treatment breakthrough" could be less than two years away.

*Mycoplasma pirum* developed resistance to most antibiotics in the 1970's, Montagnier said, because of "intensive tetracycline use." Tetracycline is a common antibiotic prescribed by general practitioners.

But Montagnier said antibiotics of the quinolone family may hold hope, with further research.

Meanwhile, Montagnier is developing blood tests for the mycoplasma, so he can check if it is missing from people who have had HIV for ten years but have never gotten sick.

Montagnier believes his theories are augmented by the fact that antiviral therapies have failed to cure AIDS and by science's inability to explain how HIV causes AIDS.

Montagnier was in Los Angeles to receive an American Association of Blood Banks award along with chief U.S. AIDS researcher Dr. Robert Gallo, for their improvement of the blood supply through development of the HIV-antibody test.

Gallo is officially co-credited with discovering HIV, then called HTLV-3, but the National Institutes of Health is currently formally investigating suspicions that Gallo may have 'discovered' HIV only after Montagnier sent Gallo a sample of his HIV. ▼

Reprinted from *Ten Percent*.

## Doctor Questions Common Belief



## New Dance Club Opens In Calgary

Calgarians have another place to party these days, since Moosie's - named for the building's former tenant **The Moose Factory** - opened on First Street S.W. in February.

The same building once housed Calgary's first true

gay club, **Club Carousel**, in the early 70's.

**Moosie's** features a high-energy disco atmosphere, differering from other Calgary clubs with its restaurant and nightclub layout.

Laser lights and

European/east-coast music greet you as you enter this mid-sized club, where you can dance and order a meal until 4 am on weekends. Scheduled party's and regular stage events offer a new choice for nighttime entertainment.

## 10th Year For Western Cup

**CALGARY** - The Apollo Western Cup Sports Tournament, which attracts gays and lesbians from across North America will be held March 28 through 31, 1991.

In addition to its regular Volleyball and Bowling activities, the four-day event will feature various social activities including the Saturday Western Cup Dance.

Athletes and spectators alike are invited to participate and help celebrate Apollo's Tenth Anniversary Tournament.

In addition to the Western Cup, Apollo offers ski trips, curling, houseboating, white water rafting, and provides a network for the organization of summer sports.

Topping off the weekends' activities is a champagne coach tour to Banff for brunch, and a farewell party at Trax later that afternoon.

## New Association For Central Alberta

**RED DEER** - A non-political, social organization has formed in Red Deer to organize, promote and encourage a wide range of activities throughout Alberta for its members.

The **Gay And Lesbian Association of Central Alberta (GALACA)** is holding regular meetings of "The Coffee Club" every Sunday at the **Red Deer Lodge in The Patio** restaurant.

Interested individuals may contact **GALACA** for more information c/o Box 1078, Red Deer, AB., T4N 6S5.



# THANK YOU!

To all the readers,  
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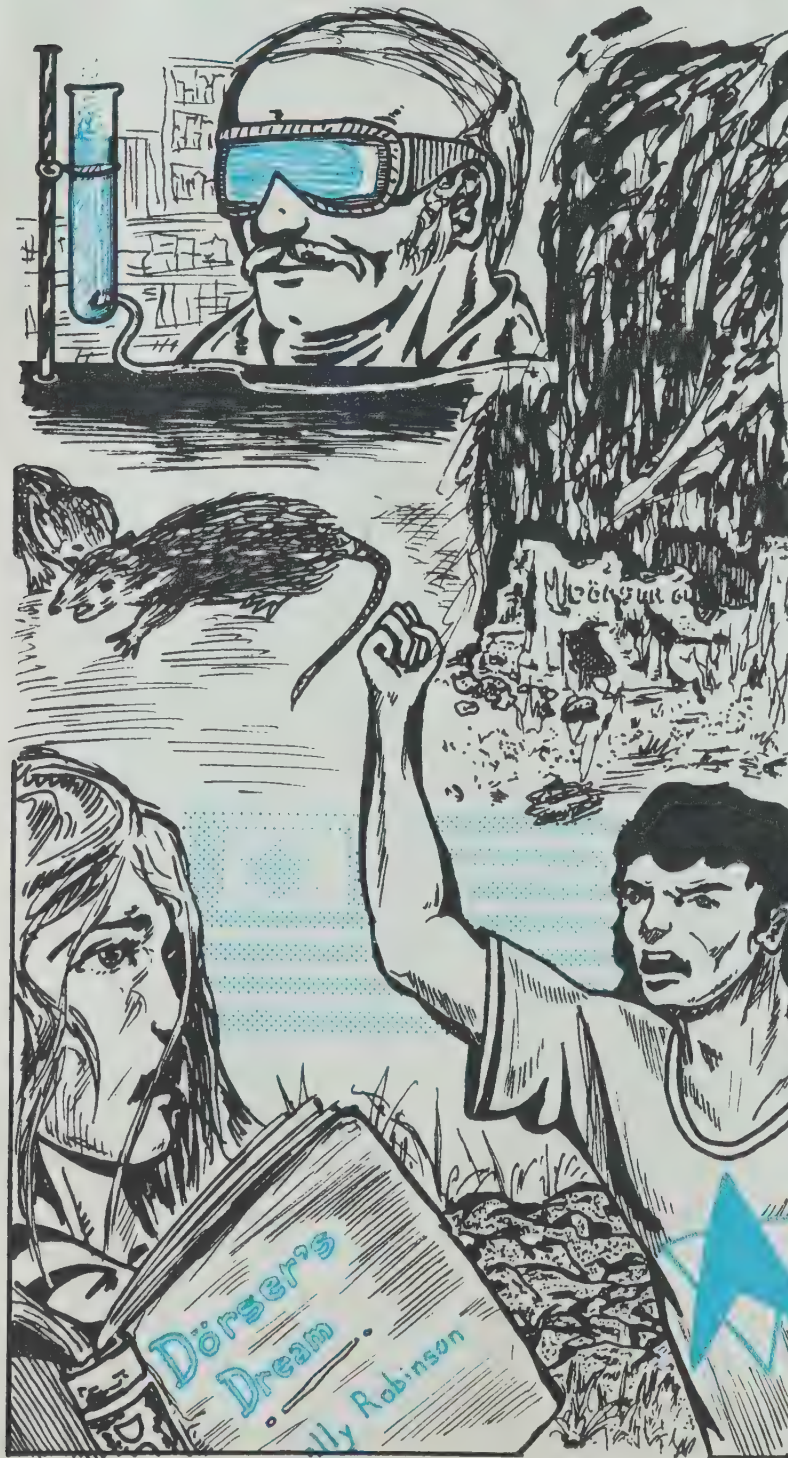
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Mark Guire's

# BREEDER

## Installment #3: History



**THE STORY THUS FAR:** The year is 2065 and the ruling homosexual government is entertaining notions that would do away with the need for heterosexual Breeders and the slave labour force they comprise. Security Engineer Cassidy Graham, along with Breeder Thomson Sutherland, is determined to stop this action before it begins.

In turn, Cassidy's fellow Security Engineer and ex-lover, Robert Hunterston, has been assigned to use any force necessary to bring the traitor before Pat Richelhof, the Security Chief of Greater America. And Hunterston knows where Cassidy and Sutherland are hiding....



*THE FOLLOWING EXCERPTS ARE TAKEN FROM DÖRSEI'S DREAM: A PERSONAL LOOK AT THE LAST HALF CENTURY, By Kelley Robinson.*

It's hard to believe today that throughout the twentieth century, homosexuality was frowned upon as unacceptable, morally wrong: a disease. Breeders -- or as they were referred to at the time, "straights" -- totalled about ninety per cent of the population, and homosexuals were called "queers", "faggots", and "dykes". They were oppressed....

...for that great celebration on June 27, Stonewall Day, a festive, gift-giving occasion which Citizens the world over embrace as a confirmation of their faith and love for each other. Children today are taught that on Stonewall Day in 1969 in Greenwich City (in those days still known as New York), a group of stalwart men and women rose up against society, much as the ancient Christians did against their Roman oppressors, declaring their love and devotion for one another. The message was heard across the world and the human race realized the Stonewallers were prophets for a new age and in their (at that point alternative) lifestyle carried with them the answers to the age-old question of the overpopulation of the Earth.

Homosexuals were finally embraced in the late twentieth century, they tell us in the schools today. They were looked towards as the answer to all the world's ills.

Then, at the turn of the century, German researcher Gunter Dörser developed a means of correcting heterosexual misorientation in the womb and thus solving the overpopulation problem.

The few for whom Dörser's process wouldn't work were to

become Breeders, in order to perpetuate the human race.

From these beginnings, society as we know it today developed, with the three major classes: the Elite, the Dörserians and the Breeders, whose duty it is to give birth to new Citizens.

This is what almost every person on Earth today believes. Too bad much of it is sugar-coated falsehoods....

...Stonewall Day was actually a far cry from an acknowledgement of people's faith and love, as those in power would like us to believe these days. In truth, it was a riot.

It was an uprising against society by those persons who were considered at that time morally decadent, a bad influence, diseased and mentally unstable; not unlike Breeders are considered today by many.

Stonewall Day was even scorned by many of those who were supposedly represented by the riot. Stonewall Day itself consisted of little more than a bloodbath, ignored by the majority of homosexuals who preferred to remain closeted from the rest of society.

Stonewall Day did serve one purpose, however: it made the majority of the population aware that homosexuals did exist.

(It cannot be stressed enough that in these years, nine out of every ten people were Breeders, unaware even that any "alternative lifestyles" existed.)...

Although Breeders were now aware of the increasingly more vocal presence of homosexuals, the homosexuals themselves were still shunned. The reasons for this can be summed up in one word: AIDS. AIDS was a plague that ran rampant in the latter part of the twentieth century and which has been historically compared to typhoid, smallpox and polio. The disease tended to focus itself on the

homosexual communities, and were it not for the Salk vaccine of 1995, AIDS may well have destroyed much of the post-Stonewall Day homosexuals and certainly would have changed the world as we know it today....

Gunter Dörser, a German scientist, provided the next, and without question the most important step in the establishment of today's government: sexual reorientation.

The major body of his work was done in the 1980's, when he successfully proved to be able to control the sexual orientation of rats by altering the levels of certain chemicals in the brain while the rats were still in the foetal stage. Eighty to eighty-five per cent of the rats displayed homosexual activity where none was evident in a similar group of unaltered rats....

Dörser shocked the world at a press conference in the year 2002 when he announced that the chemical alterations he had performed on rats proved to be equally, if not more effective on human beings.

In the early to mid 1980's, Dörser had taken a control group of sixty pregnant women and had administered his treatment to the unborn children.

At the press conference he presented fifty-five of the sixty children, thirty males and twenty-five females, all of whom were acknowledged homosexuals....

...By the year 2000, China had long since passed the one billion mark in terms of population. For the previous several years it had subscribed to a policy whereby parents could have only one child, however this solution met with dismal failure and the population kept rising.

In India, as well as many third world nations the world over, the population problem was just as severe;



however they had no solutions, successful or otherwise.

It was in the year 2005 that President Yee Leu Dse Chong of the People's Republic of China announced that to all unborn children he would be applying the Dörser process, thus creating a generation of new citizens completely uninterested in breeding and thereby effectively solving the overpopulation issue over the course of the next several years.

It wasn't long before India and some other smaller nations followed President Chong's suit, and by the year 2010 both the United States (now a part of Greater America) and the Soviet Union (which now forms a large portion of Eurasia) had both adopted the Dörser process of foetal sexual reorientation....

...Just because the governments extolled the virtues of the Dörser treatments does not mean that the people themselves agreed with the process. Throughout the next decade, mass protests and social upheavals occurred; many still remembered the days of AIDS, and feared the influx in homosexuals would incur a comeback of the plague which would then be visited upon the population at large.

As well, there were still those who thought that homosexuality was just wrong overall, and whose numbers were now increasing after years of general acceptance. Mothers who once accepted homosexuality thought differently when they discovered that their own offspring would have no desire to reproduce. The need to be grandparents was still strong.

Many other objections, based on religious, cultural and moral grounds were raised, but they were ineffective against the world's governments which stood united in the defense of sexual reorientation and the establishment of Dörser clinics....

...By the early thirties, society was divided into two distinct groups: the government and its supporters, and the Breeders, upon whom the duty fell to continue giving birth to children who would continue becoming governmental supporters....

Things came to a head in 2035. One man in Frisco, Victor Persaud, steadfastly refused to send his wife for treatment at a Dörser clinic. This in itself was nothing unusual; many parents-to-be opposed the mandatory reorientation. The government had different ways of dealing with these agitators, the most popular method being life imprisonment for the father, automatic reorientation (sometimes abortion) for the child and enforced governmental "society work" for the mother (which amounted to little more than government-sanctioned slavery).

Victor Persaud was different, however. Escaping imprisonment, he set up an underground network of Breeders whose goal it would be to undermine the government and restore the rights of Breeders by whatever means possible. He referred to his network as "Straight Nation", and one of the first actions of the group was to bomb the largest Dörser clinic in the Frisco area, killing over five hundred staff members and patients in the process....

Riots broke out, and supporters of the government (now comprising about two-thirds of the population, a large portion of which were children of the Dörser process) were regularly involved in bloodbaths with Straight Nationalists. The government did its best to keep the Nationalists at bay, regularly condemning "traitors" to death in the Chambers, but still they found the situation to be getting out of hand....

...From October 20 to 23, 2035, the heads of state of the North American

Continent met in conference to discuss solutions to the Straight Nation problems. While they met, Victor Persaud was captured and publicly executed.

Then, on October 23, two announcements were made which would affect the world situation from that moment forward: first was that as of January 1, 2036, the separate nations of Canada, Mexico and the United States of America would be forming themselves into one large nation to be known as Greater America; and next, the Preston Doctrine was passed, which would also as of January 1, 2036 become law....

The Preston Doctrine, in part, read:

"3) WHEREAS the societal turmoils induced by those members of the self-proclaimed Straight Nation have caused severe hardships to citizens; and

WHEREAS those aforementioned citizens comprise the majority voice to which this government must adhere; THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that any defiance by any person attached in any way to the aforementioned Straight Nation be disciplined in any applicable manner....

"5) WHEREAS those persons having undergone Gunter Dörser's process of sexual reorientation while still in the womb will soon form the majority portion of the population base; and WHEREAS those for whom sexual reorientation was not necessary are ideally suited to the purposes of this government; and

WHEREAS those for whom sexual reorientation failed have proven themselves to be both detrimental to the wellbeing of society at large yet necessary for the purposes of reproduction;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Greater American government be



organized in accordance to a three-tiered class system whereby natural homosexuals not having undergone Dörser treatment be referred to as the Elite, with full rights of Citizens; and that those persons having successfully undergone the Dörser treatment be referred to as Dörserians, with full rights of Citizens; and that those persons not having successfully undergone the Dörser treatment be referred to as Breeders, without the rights of Citizens, and whose duty it shall be to reproduce and to provide for those needs of the Citizenry...."

This then is the way things stand in this current year. The complete subjugation of Breeders is now a reality. Few Straight Nationalists still exist, and those who do live in fear, often masquerading as the very Citizens they've grown to despise....

It is unlikely that these words will ever be read by others beyond those closest to me. Nonetheless, it is a story of historical fact which must be perpetuated for future generations which may learn from what truly transpired in the past.

Kelly Robinson

Toronto, Greater America

April 16, 2048

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"We have to move shortly," said Cassidy. "It's way too dangerous for us to remain here for too long a time."

Thomson Sutherland wasn't about to argue; he knew far too little of this cloak and dagger business he found himself immersed in.

"You have to do something about the way you look though, Thomson. That long hair and those clothes you're wearing -- you're too obviously a Breeder. Wait here a minute." Cassidy vanished for a moment into the tiny

apartment's second room and returned with a Citizen's tunic and tights. "Here, try these on." he said. "And that hair -- I guess the best we can do for now is tie it back."

Cassidy Graham passed Sutherland the clothes, and Sutherland slowly and carefully put them on. Once dressed, he stood up and regarded himself in a small mirror set on one of the apartment's five walls.

"Do you think it's true what you heard?" he asked Cassidy, turning towards the Dörserian. "I mean, about what you heard Richelhof and them talking about. The extermination of Breeders and all."

"Far as I can tell," concurred Cassidy. "After all, with these new methods they've developed with cloning and with insemination, what need does the government have with Breeders?"

Sutherland let out a deep breath. "So what now?"

"Well, first we've got to somehow get you to a place of safety -- where, I'm not too sure of yet. Then I guess I have to go find out more about these new ideas of the government."

"I'm going with you." Sutherland stated flatly.

This comment stopped Cassidy short. He paused for a few seconds and looked Sutherland straight in the eye. "F--- that. All I need is for you to get in my way while I'm snooping through some top secret file somewhere. I do this alone, that's final. It's too dangerous for you."

Sutherland couldn't believe he was arguing with a Dörserian. "Look, you already said yourself that you don't know where to put me that I'll be safe. I'm already a marked man; as far as the government will be concerned, I murdered an Elitist, for Christ's sake! Let me go with you. I've got nothing to

lose -- and I've got a hell of a lot at stake."

Cassidy said nothing as Sutherland mentally chided himself for being so forward with a Citizen.

The Dörserian went over to a counter and tossed a small piece of plastic at Sutherland. "Here, take this. For the next little while you're no longer Breeder Thomson Sutherland. You're Jordan Elliot, a Dörserian."

Sutherland looked at the card in his hand. It was embossed with the code IDCC-69-57953. A Citizen's identification card. With this, he could...

"Okay, let's get out of here now." said Cassidy, picking up a medium-sized attache case.

Sutherland followed Cassidy towards the apartment door.

As the door opened, however, Sutherland became momentarily dazed by a sudden, huge burst of light.

The next thing he was aware of was Cassidy falling towards the floor muttering "Oh, shit..."

Sutherland looked up, and suddenly found himself staring down into the barrel of a lightgun....

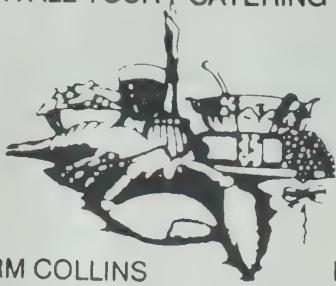
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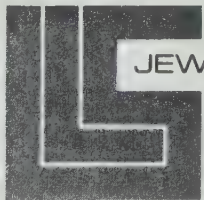
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# THE BIRTHDAY PARTY

By *Daphne Fox*  
*Calgary*

It was her seventh birthday. Mother had made Jessica a new dress, pink seersucker with lace trim. Underneath it she wore a stiff net crinoline. She twirled on one foot so that the full skirt spread out around her, showing off her pink crinoline and matching pink panties. Her eyes were aglow in anticipation of the arrival of her party guests and her face was flushed as she ran with a little skipping step to answer the first knock at the door.

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"Pick a hand!" Mavis stood with her hand behind her back and did a quick sidestep as Jessica put her briefcase and coat in the closet, and threw her car keys onto the coffee table.

Jessica picked the right hand and Mavis shifted the small jeweller's box from her left hand to the right and presented it to Jessica with a smile and a sound kiss on the mouth.

"Happy Birthday, hon!" she moved to put her arm

around Jessica's waist.

"Oh, diamond earrings!" Jessica's eyes sparkled. She turned to embrace Mavis. "They're beautiful! Thank you, Mavis!"

"And . . . we have reservations for 7:00 o'clock at the Inn on the Hill so go get changed!"

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Jessica sat at the table with her dress and crinoline carefully arranged around her and surveyed the mound of presents in the centre. She began to open them, choosing the largest first. Wrapping paper and ribbon flew in all directions. In a frenzy, she drew the next largest gift towards her, quickly discarding a blonde-haired bride doll. The doll landed on the floor beside her chair and was quickly retrieved and cradled lovingly and enviously by one of her guests.

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Mavis turned towards the dresser mirror to fasten a brooch to her lapel and caught the look on Jessica's face in the reflection. Jessica

quickly smiled and stood up to pull on her pantyhose, but not before Mavis noticed the tear dribbling from the corner of her eye.

"Honey, it's early yet. They'll probably call later! Now, come on . . . don't let it spoil our evening."

"Yeah, sure they'll call. Just like they called last year and the year before and the year before that!" Jessica felt the bitterness rise in her throat as she put the butterfly closure on the back of her earring.

Mavis lowered her head for a moment, took a deep breath and let it out slowly, then moved across the bedroom to put her arms across Jessica. Jessica held on tightly, letting the tears flow silently. Mavis rocked her gently back and forth a few times, then turned to look at the clock on the bedside table.

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Mother cut the birthday cake and presented Jessica with the first piece, the one with her name written in icing. The scoop of strawberry ice cream on the top of the chocolate cake



skimmed across the smooth icing and teetered over the edge and onto the plate as Jessica reached out to take it. The plate tipped and the ice-cream fell with a splat into Jessica's lap.

"Jessica!" Mother yelled. "How could you be so stupid? You've ruined that dress after I spent a whole afternoon sewing it for you. Don't just sit there like a dunce! Run to the sink and sponge it off! Honestly, Jessica . . . I've never known anyone so clumsy in all my life."

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The restaurant was dimly lit and the lights of the city spread out before them through the large plate glass window.

"The sky's the limit tonight!" Mavis handed Jessica the menu. "How about the seafood plate . . . hmmm . . . or maybe lamb?"

Jessica sighed as she took the menu and opened it. "Mavie, I'm really not in the mood for fancy dining. Why don't we just go home and order a pizza?"

Mavis narrowed her eyes and lowered her menu, "So, just like that. You want to go home? You know it isn't every day we get to go out for a nice dinner. I've planned this for over a week. They've got a cake for you with a sparkler and everything. I've even ordered champagne . . . come on,

don't be a party pooper."

"OK, OK . . ." Jessica lowered her eyes to read the menu. "I think I'll just have a salad though. I'm really not very hungry!"

Mavis slapped her menu on the table, knocking over a glass of water. "Now look what you made me do, You know, every time I try to do something nice for you, you always spoil everything. I don't know why I even bother. You're so ungrateful!"

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Jessica, Roxie and Suzanne were the first team to arrive back from the scavenger hunt. They quickly spread the contents of their bags on the floor in front of them. Roxie was short one item on the list; a gum wrapper. She stuffed her treasures back into the bag, jumped to her feet and raced out the door in search of the gum wrapper. Roxie had all her items. Jessica needed a feather and took the stairs two at a time to the upstairs bedroom to pinch one from the down-filled comforter Grandma had bought her mother for Christmas last year from the Hutterites.

"Out of my room, Jessica!" Mother ushered her out and closed the door behind her. "How many times do I have to tell you not to play in my bedroom? Now get back downstairs and look after your party guests. You're being very

rude to leave them alone!"

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Jessica rushed into the bedroom to check the answering machine as soon as they got in the door, while Mavis sorted through the mail that was still sitting unopened on the kitchen counter.

"Anything for me?" Jessica called out to Mavis as the message tape rewound. Mavis walked into the bedroom with the mail in her hand and shook her head as she opened a letter from her daughter in Vancouver. The messages began to play back and both women listened as Jane's voice invited them to meet her and Doris at the Club for a drink after they finished their "fancy-prancy birthday dinner"; Dr. Faber's new receptionist confirmed Jessica's dental appointment in the morning, and then had called back again to change the time to the afternoon because she had accidentally double-booked the morning appointment.

Jessica rewound the tape and played it back a second time.

"Let's go meet Doris and Jane at the Club," said Mavis. "Come on, Jessica. You'd think by now you wouldn't even be expecting your mom to call. And your dad . . . half the time you don't even know which continent he's living on. You just set yourself up to get hurt every



year, you know."

"Why don't we rent a movie and make a bowl of popcorn, Mavis? Let's just cuddle up on the couch and watch TV tonight."

Mavis folded her daughter's letter and put it back into the envelope unread. "Come on, Jess. You're not going to waste the whole evening sitting there waiting for a phone call that isn't going to come."

"I just want to relax tonight. I really don't feel like going to the Club . . . it's always so noisy and besides, Doris gets so stinking drunk that she can't even stand up. I'd really rather stay home . . . just the two of us."

"Well I want to go to the Club. I'm not about to spend the entire evening listening to you fret about how late it's getting to be and waiting for that damn phone to ring. I'm going out. Are you coming with me or are you going to stay home by yourself?"

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Jessica brushed her teeth and placed her toothbrush back into the holder on the wall. Mother and Dad were arguing loudly, their angry voices drifted up the stairs from the living room. Jessica walked slowly into her bedroom and closed the door firmly behind her. They sure talked about "divorce" a lot lately. Jessica wondered what divorce meant exactly.

She knew that Roxie's

mom and dad were divorced and Roxie went away each summer to live with her dad in Kelowna. Roxie's mom was always saying mean things about Roxie's dad and Roxie sometimes cried because she missed him.

Tears spilled over Jessica's cheeks as she tried to imagine what it would be like if she had to go away to some place like Kelowna every summer to see her dad. She turned her face into the pillow and covered her ears as the bride doll slid off the bed and onto the floor.

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"Ah Jess . . . lighten up! You're always so friggin' serious," Doris fell heavily against the wall and doubled over in a fit of laughter. Mavis collapsed onto the couch as Doris groped her way to the nearest chair.

Jane rolled her eyes to the ceiling and looked over at Jessica with a smile, "Somehow I think Doris is here for the night! When she's had this much to drink, she passes out as soon as those sweet, succulent buns of hers hit the nearest horizontal surface."

"Well, I'm going to bed. You going to stay over, too, Jane?" Jessica pulled her scarf from around her neck and tucked it into the sleeve of her coat.

"No, I've got to work tomorrow. Hey, Happy Birthday, kiddo!" Jane leaned over and gave her a kiss on

the cheek.

Doris and Mavis began a rather off-key rendition of "Happy Birthday".

"Thanks, Jane," Jessica put her coat on a hanger and closed the closet door. "I'll get a couple of blankets for our prima donnas here."

Jessica locked the door behind Jane and turned out the light in the living room. As she undressed slowly in the dark bedroom, she glanced over at the cabinet in the far corner where her doll collection was displayed. The street light was shining directly onto the cabinet, highlighting the blonde-haired bride doll. She took the doll down from its stand and carried it over to the bed. As she turned back the covers to crawl in, Mavis and Doris started in with another drunken chorus of "Happy . . Birthday . . dear . . Jess . . i . . ca".

Jessica looked over at the answering machine on the bedside table to see if the red light was flashing to indicate a message. Her eyes blurred with tears as the red light shone steadily in the darkness. She inhaled a deep breath and let it out slowly, then turned her face into the pillow and covered her ears as the bride doll slid off the bed and onto the floor.▼

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# Edna's Marvellous Adventures

## My Visit with Vivian Schwartzki

By Paul Harris  
Calgary

*"A squeal  
of delight  
pierced the  
silence  
as she  
spotted the  
double chocolate  
cream puffs  
decoratively  
displayed on  
the table."*

Some days later, after the initial shock and terror of missing my Thursday bingo had passed, I had some unsettled business with Ms. Schwartzki concerning one exploding 90 oz. can of Liquid Steel, that had, without warning, decimated the interior of my car. So without any thought for time, I dialled Ms. Schwartzki's number on my double-grounded wireless bathroom extension, while reclining in a tasteful, but not overdone, bubble bath. Naturally I knew that I would get through with my laser guided satellite intercept feature.

"Vivian, how are you darling?"

Knowing that Vivian had read in the papers about the small explosion and kerfuffle over several police scooters, I felt that the only way to handle this situation was to use BRIBERY.

"We have chocolate dairy cream puffs."

Immediately she accepted my invitation, being that she is a full figured robust pushover for anything over 350 calories per bite.

"That will be fine Vivian, you just come right on over;... the front door will be open."

Moments later... the distinct sound of two hefty inner thighs vigorously rubbing together signalled her impending approach, followed by boom, boom, boom as she hoisted herself up the stairs and squeezed through the front door.

A squeal of delight pierced the silence as she spotted the double chocolate cream puffs decoratively displayed on the table.

Not realizing that a 400-pound female can cover 14 miles in under 5 minutes when double chocolate cream puffs are involved, I was forced to leap from the tub in a panic, throw on my fleecy silk Kimono (imported from Detroit), and run hysterically down the 3 flights of stairs toward the snorting sounds below.

As I rounded the last spiral of the staircase I kicked off my low traction bunny slippers and accelerated. I could see that she was just finishing the last of 27 cream puffs and was headed straight for the door.

Screaming revenge and executing a "triple spin cartwheel kick", I covered the distance in under 2 seconds. But... it was too late, she had already escaped and was making her way back to the beauty emporium to sell yet another pesky can of Liquid Steel.

I resorted to plan "B" and sent in an article to the *Ladies Home Journal* entitled "Vivian Schwartzki's Sexual Compulsion for Eclairs". Luckily my home security system was able to furnish photos. I was sure to include one of myself, so they could see what a talented gymnast turned stabilizer heel manufacturer, I am.

**Edna's Helpful Pointer number 128** – If you have a sexual compulsion for eclairs I suggest that you watch for cameras in hidden places.



# The Ladies Home Journal Backfires

By Paul Harris  
Calgary

You can imagine my surprise when I opened the *Ladies Home Journal* the next month to hunt for the article I had submitted entitled "Vivian Schwartski's Sexual Compulsion for Eclairs" and instead of finding my well-written, true-to-life article, I found one entitled "Eclairs Keep Four Hundred Pound Vivian Fit, Thanks to Edna"

"Yes", it read "when the glorious Edna Herself sent us the surprising article about Vivian we decided to investigate for ourselves. We tracked Vivian to 'Big Bertha's Beauty Emporium and Tent Co.' where she was working as hairstylist & tent designer. Of course Vivian was delighted to fill in the details for how she is able to be fit enough to sprint 14 miles in under 5 minutes, stop long enough to gobble down 27 eclairs, adjust her wig, and then execute a series of high aerobic, low impact, ballet manoeuvres to return to Big Bertha's."

The article continued, "Largely due to the efforts of the world famous Edna Herself, Vivian, a 400-pound woman is fit enough to look after her business, enjoy intensive gymnastics and jogging without being exhausted by daily routines."

It became more and more plain that the photo I had sent of Edna Herself (that's me), executing that final series of cartwheel kicks in order to reach Vivian (before she squeezed her fathood through my front door), had been mistaken for Vivian. Everyone knows that sack of lard couldn't get off the ground

without the use of an industrial crane.

Imagine, a 400-pound women dressed in heavy canvas, (obviously a freebie from the tent company), two layers of high resistance nylons to hide the leg hair and a three foot high bouffant, doing aerial cartwheels. It was

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indisputable, Vivian Schwartski had lied through her teeth. She wasn't classy enough to even own a fleecy silk Kimono, let alone fit into one.

I was appalled, I had expected my article to bring her crawling to my doorstep begging for a retraction, whilst offering me a complete refund on that nasty can of Liquid Steel, (which was my objective in the first place). Instead, the rewrite of my article; the lies, by one Vivian; and the mistaken photograph, catapulted her to the front page and a new position as National Sales Rep. for Liquid Steel Inc., headquarters in Butt, Montana.

However, I was struck with

amazement and wonder when not even seconds later, after discovering the gross misprint the ringer went off on my double-grounded wireless conservatory extension. It was the President of 'Patsy's Pastries' saying that, due largely to my article, sales worldwide had increased by 50% on their Eclair line and they would like to know where they should send my first royalty cheque of \$135,000.00.

It was even more surprising when, Nathan, the evil postman, began delivering mail from trainers all over the world, requesting me to coach their obese athletes.

Then "Spandex Lycra Oversize Gymnastic Wear Inc.", asked me to go on national television to promote their new program, *Fitness For Fat Feminists*. Naturally I DECLINED.

So, to conclude this episode, I was, quite frankly, feeling slightly benevolent that day and decided, in light of the intrinsic benefits of my well-written article, Vivian was off the hook, at least until I could make it to Butt, Montana myself.

**Edna's Helpful Pointer  
Number 129** - Never attempt aerial cartwheels, while wearing a bouffant. ▼

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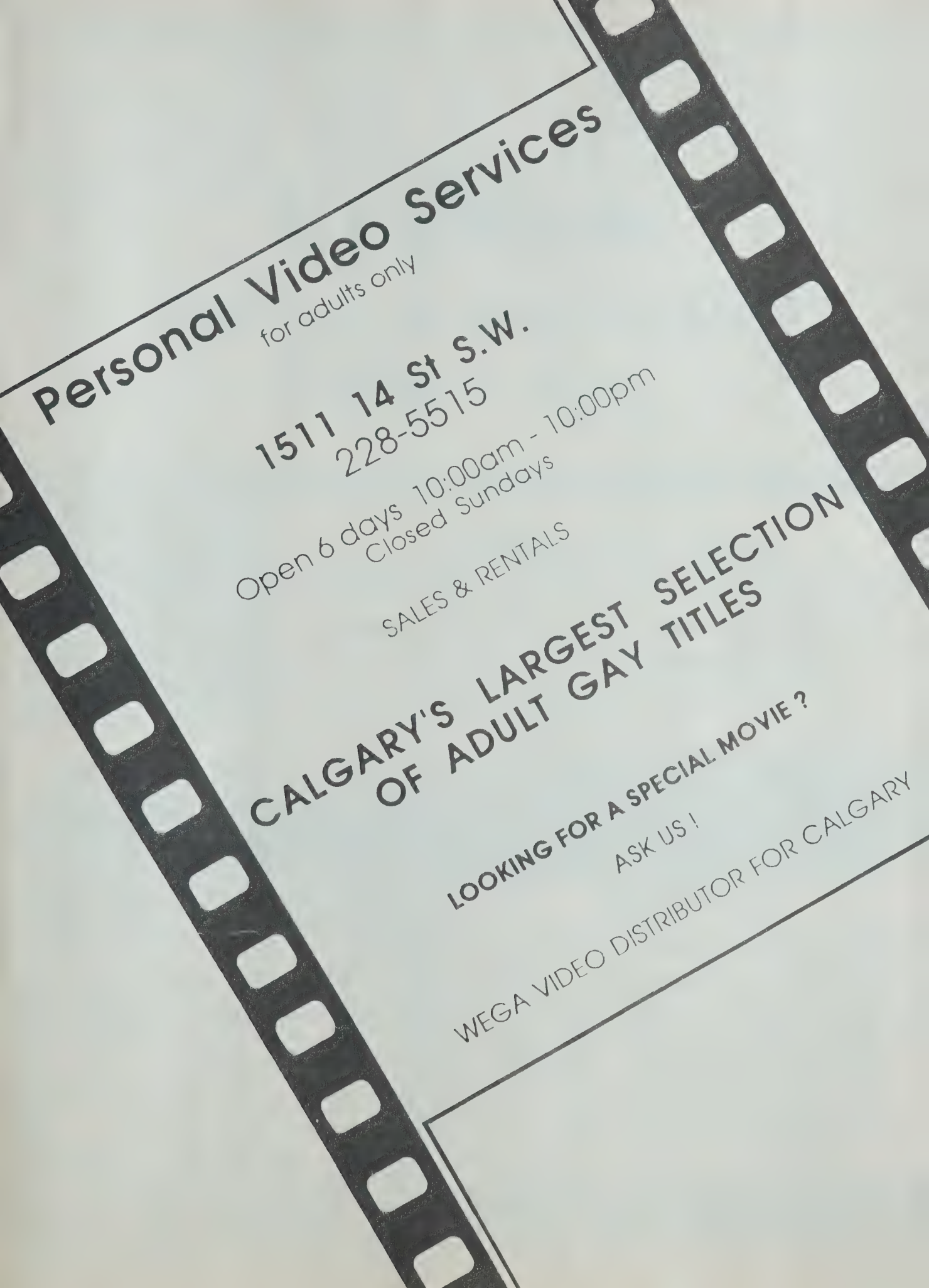
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# Jane & John & Colin & Don: Celebration '90's Words Without Borders Literary Festival

By Joey Sayer

Calgary

Way back in September, when I wrote about some of my escapades in Vancouver during Celebration '90: Gay Games III and Cultural Festival, I promised to tell you a bit about the Words Without Borders literary festival.

Six months later, I'm looking back at some of my columns and realize that I -- ah -- forgot.

Oh well, better late than never, right?

Words Without Borders was Canada's biggest ever gathering of gay and lesbian authors; in fact, unless I miss my mark, it was the biggest literary festival to be held in Canada in 1990. It featured dozens of outstanding, noted writers, the likes of Jane (*Desert of the Heart*) Rule and John (*I Once*

*Had a Master*) Preston, as well as lesser known authors such as Colin Thomas and Don Martin.

The festival featured some twenty-nine different events ranging from the huge Gala opening on Granville Island to book launches to several different literary panels at Simon Fraser University with names such as "Dykes To Watch Out For" (which



featured the inimitable Alison Bechdel), "From The Outside Looking In" and "Just Because Your Mother Likes it".

Of the panels I attended (which included a hysterical session called "Titters And Bangers: Is Sex Funny?" which presented comic Lovie Sizzle sharing with us details of her sordid lust for washing machines), I'll be letting you in on some highlights of two of the more interesting ones: "Banning Our Words" and "Dick Lit - Gay Erotica". A word of warning though: I attended these panels more than half a year ago and I was too taken up with the panelists to make any notes. As such, don't expect these anecdotes to be a hundred per cent true; rather, expect them to reflect how I remember the actual events -- hindsight, after all, isn't always 20/20, and memory is a tricky thing. (Christ, the disclaimers I'm forced to make in order to avoid charges of libel!)

First off was "Banning Our Words", a panel on censorship which featured two individuals I've come to admire greatly: Jane Rule and Colin Thomas.

Jane Rule, as many of you know, is the author of the novel upon which the movie *Desert Hearts* was based, as well as having been a regular contributor to the late, lamented *Body Politic*. She now lives in the Vancouver area where she still churns out works that invariably hit the bestseller lists.

She has also been known to write books which have been disallowed entry into Canada from

the United States. She once wrote a book that was printed in the States, hit the bestseller lists both there and in Europe, and was banned from Canada. It was three years before she saw a copy of her own bestselling book.

Jane's a fascinating person to listen to; to talk to. In the course of the session she told us the story of how she herself successfully

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managed to contribute to the perpetuation of censorship in Canada.

She used to be a University prof, you see, teaching first year English courses. She had one class in which there was this student whom she knew to be a nice, decent, affable chap. She knew all this because she knew him well. She knew him well because he was

in several of her classes. The same course. Three years running.

After flunking out for the third time, the student came up to Jane and intimated that perhaps he was not cut out for a career in English. Jane, never one to mince words, agreed with him.

He then asked Jane if she could possibly write a letter of recommendation for him, to help him land this job he had lined up. As this fellow was a decent, friendly, and hardworking sort -- albeit a complete noodle when it came to the English language -- Jane was more than happy to help him out. (That she may well not have been able to stand seeing him fail another of her classes is a notion I refuse to even entertain.)

At any rate, the lad got the job he sought. As a Border Crossing Guard. A job which involved determining which books Canadians are fit to read.

A job which, in effect, gave him power to ban the very books written by the English professor who flunked him out three years in a row.

I'll let you determine the irony of the situation for yourself.

Also at this same panel was the playwright and columnist Colin Thomas, who wrote the award-winning play *One Thousand Cranes*, about a Japanese, leukemia-stricken girl named Sadako. Based on the success of *One Thousand Cranes*, the Canada Council commissioned Colin to write a play for high school students on the subject of AIDS.

Colin wrote a remarkable play which met with critical praise



everywhere -- except with the Canada Council. They refused to have anything to do with it.

When pressed for a reason, the Council said they objected to a scene in the play which showed two high school-aged boys kissing.

They wanted a play about AIDS, not about homosexuality. If Colin would remove or replace the kiss scene, everything would be kosher.

Colin tried to explain that writing a play about AIDS without even mentioning homosexuality is ludicrous at best, but to no avail.

Last I heard, the play was being produced by an independant theater group in Toronto.

The other panel which I'll mention a bit about here was called "Dick Lit - Gay Erotica", featuring, among others, John Preston and the incredibly gorgeous Don Martin. (When he first entered the room, I assumed he was a visual aid, not one of the panelists. I felt insanely jealous when he proved himself to be a talented writer. How *dare* he be that hot *and* that brilliant?)

John Preston, as always, proved to be a fascinating speaker. At one point he told us the (true?) story of the current whereabouts of the last existing pubic hair of Rudolph Valentino, and of the man who gave him his quill-pen-and-inkwell tattoo which he displayed proudly to the audience.

One particularly interesting point: while the Dick Lit panel was held in a smallish room (which held about 120 to 150 seats, of which not all were full), the Clit Lit panel (with Anne Cameron and

others) was twice the size of our room, and had been sold out long in advance.

We men were a fairly quiet bunch, despite the raunchy material that was being presented to us. The women, on the other hand, literally raised the roof with their cheers, hoots and whistles. Man, were they having fun! Half-way through the session, despite

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the visual presence of Don Martin, I was considering different ways I could duck Dick Lit and sneak into Clit Lit.

The response level of the women's panel as compared to the men's panel did not go unnoticed by others in the room, and we decided the reason for this was while men -- largely as a result of AIDS -- have had their sexuality

subdued, women are still in the process of exploring theirs in a public forum.

Once again, jealousy struck. For the first time in my life I wanted to be a lesbian instead of a gay man.

Darn.

In all, the festival was an enormous success, one of the biggest highlights of Celebration '90. Kudos go to co-chairs Jana Williams and Rick Marchand, as well as to all the participating writers for a job well done.

And next time, let's see if they can get their act together enough to invite me to sit on one of their panels.

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Before I let you go, let me congratulate *Modern Pink Magazine* on turning into *AGLP*. I've been involved with the magazine ever since it was the Lesbian & Gay Youth Calgary newsletter and I have watched it grow from a two-sided, single-paged flier into the full-fledged, honest-to-God magazine you hold in your hand.

*AGLP* is now breaking new ground and is going where no gay publication has ever gone before in Alberta.

Again, congratulations to everyone involved with the magazine, particularly to Jim McMullin, who's been the guiding light behind the magazine every step of the way.

THANK YOU AND GOOD AFTERNOON -- Joey.



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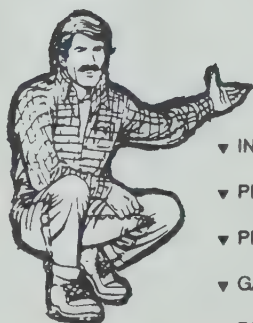
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## LOVE THAT HURTS: Partner Battering In Our Community

By Leslie Fleming

Calgary

How many of us have had similar experiences to that suggested by the poem? Battering within relationships does exist in our gay and lesbian community. Some questions that are often asked are: What is a battering relationship, how does a relationship like this happen, why does it continue, and how can people in a relationship like this get help?

A battering relationship is one in which one of the partners is being subjected to emotional, physical, and/or sexual abuse by their partner. Emotional abuse can be anything from a verbal put-down (eg; "You're stupid, You can't do anything right; You're ugly.") to actual threats of violence. Physical abuse ranges from shoving/shaking to hitting/punching. Sexual abuse can be verbal (derogatory comments about your body) or it can be forcing sexual activity without consent. It is clear that abusive relationships take many forms. The result is that a person feels coerced, threatened, and not in control of their own thoughts and feelings.

Abusive relationships usually follow a pattern that starts out with emotional abuse where the partner being abused is made to feel worthless and unloved. The abusing partner slowly starts to isolate the other, cutting him/her off from friends, family and anyone else that may be of support to them. This is done in order that the abusing partner can have complete control of the relationship. The abusing partner often continues to give mixed messages, vowing love for the partner while continuing to put them down. The

abused partner soon begins to feel trapped, not knowing where to turn. It is at this point that the relationship can begin to turn violent. The violence may start gradually but more likely than not, it will escalate. While this sequence of events is common, variations of these themes can also happen.

### The Relationship

Feeling scared, isolated and alone  
Subject to her every mood and outburst  
Feeling degraded, unworthy and useless  
Knowing what's going on but not knowing  
how to escape  
A vicious cycle forms  
Some days good but most days bad  
Me escaping to my room or to school  
Looking for a way out  
But all the while feeling that it's my fault  
That I'm responsible for her anger  
That I precipitate all her outbursts  
Somehow I'm to blame and I'm the one  
who needs to change  
Listening and believing her preaching and  
twisted ideas  
Letting her isolate and control me  
Me wanting only to be loved.  
Eventually the cycle worsens  
Incidents take place in which she threatens me  
Even after being hit and pushed I remain  
Falling for her game again and again  
Until her final blow comes  
When she flips and threatens my life  
I finally come to my senses and leave for good  
Without a word or explanation  
Never ever to return  
That was not a relationship...  
It was hell.

*A Survivor Of An Abusive Relationship.*

A person can become an abuser for various reasons. Often it is because they were abused themselves either physically, emotionally, or sexually. Whatever the reason, there is no excuse for subjecting an innocent person to abusive behavior. Victims are not to blame for abuse. Both victim and abusers need help in dealing with the consequences of abuse.

If you are involved in a situation like this, there is help for you and your partner. The first step is recognizing the abuse for what it is and realizing that you do not have to continue living this way. If you are an abuser, the first step is to admit this to yourself and realize you may need help to change.

Breaking the abusive cycle is important for both parties and may take

drastic measures but worthwhile ones in the long run. Help and support can be gained from family, friends and professionals. The hardest part is taking the first step! The first step is being honest and recognizing you can't fix it alone.

Become a survivor, don't remain a victim! ▼

Suggested readings: *Naming the Violence*, edited by Kerry Lobel; *The Battered Woman*, by Lenore Walker.





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# Letting The Cat out of the Closet

By Daphne Fox

Calgary

Every parent has at least one of those stories about the time their darling child "came out with the damnedest thing". Oftentimes it's something that's maybe a little bit embarrassing. But it's always cute and funny and despite the sometimes embarrassment, it inevitably becomes something that is told again and again -- like an old joke that changes slightly with each new rendition or a fish story where the fish just keeps growing bigger and bigger.

This particular story began at a holiday gathering at a friend's home where there was a high ratio of lesbian moms and their kids. My daughter really hit it off with another little girl she met at this gathering; actually this was her first encounter with a child of another lesbian mom, so the bonding was immediate and very intense. The two girls spent their time giggling and discussing which member of *New Kids On The Block* is the cutest, all the while being pursued by some very rambunctious and pesky boys who did their best to make their lives miserable. The two girls finally set up camp in the bathroom and from that

point on, it became necessary to make an appointment to use the facilities.

It was a few days after this most enjoyable gathering, my daughter informed me that she had found it necessary to educate her slightly older, but not necessarily wiser, little friend.

The conversation went something like this:

My Daughter: "My mother's a lesbian, you know."

My daughter's little friend: "Oh, is that right?" (in a somewhat disinterested sounding voice)

My daughter: "So is your mom, you know."

My daughter's little friend: "No she's not." (now somewhat more attentive)

My daughter: "Yeah, she is."

My daughter's little friend: "No she's not." (the voice has become somewhat shrill at this point)

My daughter: "Yes, she is. Don'tcha know that just about all the women that are here are lesbians?" (very emphatically)

My daughter's little friend: "Well, my mom isn't!" (hands on hips and sounding very self-assured)

My daughter: "Yes, she is." (nodding her head vigorously also with hands on hips)

My daughter's little friend: "Well, if my mom is a lesbian... how come she never told me then?" (her face in a frown)

My daughter: "Maybe she just didn't feel that you were quite ready yet..."

Whoops!!!! Hey, sorry about that, Linda!

But you know kids... they do say the damnedest things!!!

Happy Parenting --  
Daphne.

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I would like to add my congratulations to everyone involved with our *Modern Pink* collective. I am looking forward to much greater involvement with our all-new Alberta Gay & Lesbian Press (AGLP). Special thanks to our Managing Editor, Jim McMullin, whose vision and perseverance has created and sustained a publication our community can be proud of.

Since coming on board in 1990, I have seen an exciting increase in good quality contributor material covering a wide spectrum of gay and lesbian issues. I can see many more doors opening to us in the future.

Again, congratulations  
*Modern Pink*/AGLP !! ▼



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3Y1  
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(403) 381-8186, 381-6905

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### SATURDAY 2

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### SUNDAY 3

CLAGPAG - Meeting for Solidarity

BOYSTOWN - AGLP Kick-Off Party 4:00 - 8:00 pm

ISCCA show @ 10:30 pm

### MONDAY 4

International Women's Day Celebrations in Calgary March 4 - 9

### TUESDAY 5

GLASS U/C - General Meeting in Rm. 206 MacEwan Hall U/C @ 6:30 pm - all members please attend followed @ 7:00 pm by "Coming Out" meeting

### WEDNESDAY 6

MOOSIE'S - The Red Party (wear red for specials)

GAYLINES - Social Club Meeting @ 7:30 pm, Off Centre

### THURSDAY 7

DIGNITY - Liturgy & Dinner Out @ 5:45 pm For info contact Tom @ 282-6592

RAP GROUP - Downstairs Common Room, Old Y @ 7:30 pm

### SATURDAY 9

CALGARY STATUS OF WOMEN ACTION COMMITTEE - Five Feminist Minutes (16 short films by women in Canada) International Women's Day Celebration: For more info call 262-1873

International Women's Day rally/march starting at 6:30 pm at Memorial Park (12 Ave & 4 St. S.W.)

LESBIAN & GAY YOUTH CALGARY - Meeting, Room 200A, Old Y, 7:30 - 9:30 pm

### SUNDAY 10

318 - A Show hosted by Tiffany For more info contact 228-7999

BOYSTOWN - Down Home Country Drag 10:30 pm

### TUESDAY 12

ROCKY MOUNTAIN SINGERS - Annual General Meeting for more info. call 242-0081.

GLASS U/C - Planning night for semester end social & scholarship,

Room 206 MacEwan Hall U/C at 7:00 pm

P-FLAG - Monthly Meeting @ 7:30 pm For info call Tom @ 282-6592

### WEDNESDAY 13

Canadian Film Celebration opens with *Perfectly Normal*. Call 268-1370 for more info.

CLUB - Can We Talk? This Month's Topic: Piercing

### FRIDAY 15

MOOSIE'S - Torso Party (bring your own torso)

GAY & LESBIAN A. A. - 6th Annual Conference "sober & unightd" roundup @ Unitarian Church 1703 1st N W For tickets & info call 265-8888

### SATURDAY 16

GAY & LESBIAN A. A. - 6th Annual Conference. Call 265-8888 for more info.

CLUB - Bunnies in Bondage @ The Rekroom.

### SUNDAY 17

GLASS U/C - St. Patrick's Day Pot-luck Social in Room 206 MacEwan Hall @ 7:30 pm



DIGNITY – St. Patrick's Day Pot-luck @ 1:30 pm For info call Tom @ 282-6592

MOOSIE'S – St. Patrick's Day (wear green)

GAY & LESBIAN A. A. – 6th Annual Conference. Call 265-8888 for more info.

OFF CENTRE – St. Patrick's Day 'All Day' Bash

BOYSTOWN – Sasquatch Sisters do Broadway 10:30 pm

TRAX – St. Patrick's day party.

## TUESDAY 19

GLASS U/C – Games Night BYOG in Room 206 MacEwan Hall @ 7:30 p. m.

## WEDNESDAY 20

MOOSIE'S – Mad Hatter Party (most outrageous hat contest)

## THURSDAY 21

AIDS CALGARY – Inservice on Dementia presented by Pia Anderson & David Burke @ 6:30 – 9:00 pm – #300, 1021 10 Ave. S.W. For info. call 228-0155

RAP GROUP – Downstairs Common Room, Old Y @ 7:30 pm

## SATURDAY 23

MOOSIE'S – Tropical Knights (beach bash)

MCC Calgary – Dance starts at 8 pm

318 – Pajama Party. For info call 228-7999

LESBIAN & GAY YOUTH CALGARY – Meeting, Room 200A, Old Y, 7:30 – 9:30 pm

## SUNDAY 24

ROCKY MOUNTAIN SINGERS Singing at MCC Calgary for Palm Sunday @ 11:00 a m Call 277-4004 for more info

DESERT HEARTS CLUB – Bragg Creek Hike to Ice Caves – Contact LIL for more info @ 265-9458

318 – show hosted by Golden Girls. For info call 228-7999

BOYSTOWN – Mr. & Ms. Gay show 10:30 pm

## THURSDAY 28

MOOSIE'S – Comedy Night

BOYSTOWN – Apollo Western Cup Registration and Slave Auction 10:30 pm

Western cup opening ceremonies @ 10:00 pm

## FRIDAY 29

ROCKY MOUNTAIN SINGERS singing at opening ceremonies – Western Cup

MCC CALGARY – Good Friday Church Service @ 11:00 pm

ALLELUIA MCC – Good Friday service @ 12:00 noon

APOLLO CALGARY – Western Cup (Can/U.S.) 10th Annual Bowling & Volleyball Tournament. For more info contact Jordan @ 245-5076

REKROOM – "The Rekroom Resurrection" 4 – 7 pm For more info call 265-4749

318 – Wheel of Misfortune, 10:30 pm

## SATURDAY 30

MOOSIE'S – Big Bunny Night

ISCCA – 1st Candidate Show @ 318 – 11 pm

APOLLO CALGARY – Western Cup (Can/U.S.) 10th Annual Bowling & Volleyball Tournament

REKROOM – "The Rekroom Resurrection" 4 – 7 pm

## SUNDAY 31

APOLLO CALGARY – Western Cup (Can/U.S.) 10th Annual Bowling & Volleyball Tournament

TRAX – The Last Hurrah, 4 pm – ?

## APRIL 14

L.I.L. – Wymyn's bus tour to Banff; hotpool, buffet

## APRIL 27

ISCCA – Coronation: "Gothica: a night of dark legends"



## WEEKLY EVENTS WEDNESDAYS

6:30 – 8:30 pm Apollo recreational volleyball @ Rideau Park School

## THURSDAYS

6:30 – 9:30 pm Apollo recreational bowling @ Silver Dollar Action Centre.

## SUNDAYS

11:00 am – MCC Calgary services, 204 16 Ave S.W.

2 – 4:30 pm Apollo recreational bowling @ Silver Dollar Action Centre.

7:30 pm – Alleluia MCC services at Old Y Centre 223 12 Ave S.W.



# THE VIDEO REPORT



## TOP 10 GENERAL TITLES

1. PRETTY WOMAN
2. TOTAL RECALL
3. THE HUNT FOR RED OCTOBER
4. YOUNG GUNS #2
5. BIRD ON A WIRE
6. DICK TRACY
7. THE FIRST POWER
8. BACK TO THE FUTURE PART III
9. NAVY SEALS
10. Q & A

## TOP 10 ADULT TITLES

1. FALCON #66 - PLUNGE
2. LEATHER
3. TEAM MATES
4. LARGER THAN LIFE
5. POWERTOOL
6. SHE'S A BOY
7. HOT, HUNG & HARD
8. BULLET #6
9. STRAIGHT BOYS DO
10. HARD MEN IN ACTION

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## SATURDAY MARCH 2

1:30 pm Reduced Adm. **VINCENT AND ME**  
7:00 pm **\*TO SLEEP WITH ANGER**  
9:30 pm **HENRY AND JUNE**

## SUNDAY MARCH 3

6:45 pm **HENRY AND JUNE**  
9:30 pm **\*TO SLEEP WITH ANGER**

## MONDAY MARCH 4

7:00 pm **\*TO SLEEP WITH ANGER**  
9:15 pm **DOWN BY LAW**

## TUESDAY MARCH 5

7:00 pm **\*TO SLEEP WITH ANGER**  
▼ 9:15 pm **MÉNAGE** (France 1986)

## WEDNESDAY MARCH 6

7:00 pm **BETHUNE: THE MAKING OF A HERO**  
9:30 pm **\*TO SLEEP WITH ANGER**

## THURSDAY MARCH 7

7:00 pm **\*TO SLEEP WITH ANGER**  
9:30 pm **WUTHERING HEIGHTS**

## FRIDAY MARCH 8

7:00 pm **WUTHERING HEIGHTS**  
9:30 pm **Carl Jung Double Bill**  
**\*THE WORLD WITHIN: CARL JUNG IN HIS OWN WORDS** and  
**\*REMEMBERING JUNG: LOURNES VAN DER**

## POST DISCUSSES JUNG

## SATURDAY MARCH 9

1:00 pm Reduced Adm. **THE RESCUERS DOWN UNDER**  
3:00 pm Reduced Adm. **THE RESCUERS DOWN UNDER**  
7:00 pm **\*CARL JUNG DOUBLE BILL**  
9:00 pm **THE BONFIRE OF THE VANITIES**

## SUNDAY MARCH 10

7:00 pm **\*CARL JUNG DOUBLE BILL**  
9:00 pm **TOO BEAUTIFUL FOR YOU** (France 1989)

## MONDAY MARCH 11

7:00 pm **\*CARL JUNG DOUBLE BILL**  
9:00 pm **AGUIRRE! THE WRATH OF GOD** (Germany 1972)

## TUESDAY MARCH 12

7:00 pm **RESTLESS NATIVES**  
9:00 pm **A CLOCKWORK ORANGE**

## WEDNESDAY MARCH 13

6:45 pm **HAVANA**  
9:30 pm **WOMEN ON THE VERGE OF A NERVOUS BREAKDOWN**

## THURSDAY MARCH 14

7:00 pm **POSTCARDS FROM THE EDGE**

## FRIDAY MARCH 15



7:00 pm Premiere **\*THE 1990 CANNES COMMERCIALS**  
9:00 pm **\*THE 1990 CANNES COMMERCIALS**

**SATURDAY MARCH 16**

1:30 pm Reduced Adm. **DARBY O'GILL AND THE LITTLE PEOPLE**  
7:00 pm **\*THE 1990 CANNES COMMERCIALS**  
9:00 pm **\*THE 1990 CANNES COMMERCIALS**

**SUNDAY MARCH 17**

7:00 pm **\*THE 1990 CANNES COMMERCIALS**  
9:00 pm **\*THE 1990 CANNES COMMERCIALS**

**MONDAY MARCH 18**

7:00 pm **\*THE 1990 CANNES COMMERCIALS**  
9:00 pm **\*THE 1990 CANNES COMMERCIALS**

**TUESDAY MARCH 19**

7:00 pm **\*THE 1990 CANNES COMMERCIALS**  
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**WEDNESDAY MARCH 20**

7:00 pm **\*THE 1990 CANNES COMMERCIALS**  
9:00 pm **\*THE 1990 CANNES COMMERCIALS**

**THURSDAY MARCH 21**

7:00 pm **\*THE 1990 CANNES COMMERCIALS**  
9:00 pm **\*THE 1990 CANNES COMMERCIALS**

**FRIDAY MARCH 22**

7:00 pm **\*THE 1990 CANNES COMMERCIALS**  
9:00 pm **\*THE 1990 CANNES COMMERCIALS**

**SATURDAY MARCH 23**

1:30 pm Reduced Adm. **DUCKTALES, THE MOVIE: TREASURE OF THE LOST LAMP**

7:00 pm **\*THE 1990 CANNES COMMERCIALS**  
9:00 pm **\*THE 1990 CANNES COMMERCIALS**

**SUNDAY MARCH 24**

7:00 pm **\*THE 1990 CANNES COMMERCIALS**  
9:00 pm **\*THE 1990 CANNES COMMERCIALS**

**MONDAY MARCH 25**

7:00 pm **A ROOM WITH A VIEW**  
9:00 pm **THE ENIGMA OF KASPER HAUSER**  
(Germany)

**TUESDAY MARCH 26**

7:00 pm **HANNAH AND HER SISTERS**  
9:15 pm **A ROOM WITH A VIEW**

**WEDNESDAY MARCH 27**

▼ 6:45 pm **MOUNTAINS OF THE MOON**  
9:30 pm **AND NOW FOR SOMETHING COMPLETELY DIFFERENT**

**THURSDAY MARCH 28**

7:00 pm **CINEMA PARADISO** (Italy/France 1988)  
9:30 pm **VINCENT AND THEO**

**FRIDAY MARCH 29**

7:00 pm **VINCENT AND THEO**  
9:30 pm **JESUS OF MONTREAL** (Canada 1989)

**SATURDAY MARCH 30**

1:30 pm Reduced Adm. **DICK TRACY**  
7:00 pm **METROPOLITAN**  
9:15 pm **VINCENT AND THEO**

**SUNDAY MARCH 31**

7:00 pm **WHITE PALACE**  
9:15 pm **THE LAST TEMPTATION OF CHRIST**



# THE PLAZA

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## FRIDAY MARCH 1

7:00 pm Premiere \*THE LONG WALK HOME  
9:15 pm \*THE LONG WALK HOME  
Midnight HEAVY PETTING

## FRIDAY MARCH 8

7:00 pm \*THE LONG WALK HOME  
9:15 pm \*THE LONG WALK HOME  
Midnight HARDWARE

## SATURDAY MARCH 2

1:30 pm \*THE LONG WALK HOME  
3:30 pm \*THE LONG WALK HOME  
7:00 pm \*THE LONG WALK HOME  
9:15 pm \*THE LONG WALK HOME  
Midnight HEAVY PETTING

## SATURDAY MARCH 9

1:30 pm \*THE LONG WALK HOME  
3:30 pm \*THE LONG WALK HOME  
7:00 pm \*THE LONG WALK HOME  
9:15 pm \*THE LONG WALK HOME  
Midnight HARDWARE

## SUNDAY MARCH 3

1:30 pm \*THE LONG WALK HOME  
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9:15 pm \*THE LONG WALK HOME

## SUNDAY MARCH 10

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## WEDNESDAY MARCH 13

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## THURSDAY MARCH 7

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## THURSDAY MARCH 14

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9:15 pm \*THE LONG WALK HOME

**FRIDAY MARCH 15**

7:00 pm Premiere **\*WILT**  
▼ 9:15 pm **HENRY AND JUNE**  
Midnight **MISERY**

**SATURDAY MARCH 16**

1:30 pm **MISERY**  
3:45 pm **BABETTE'S FEAST** (Denmark 1987)  
▼ 7:00 pm **HENRY AND JUNE**  
9:45 pm **\*WILT**  
Midnight **MISERY**

**SUNDAY MARCH 17**

1:30 pm **\*WILT**  
▼ 3:30 pm **HENRY AND JUNE**  
7:00 pm **\*WILT**  
9:15 pm **BABETTE'S FEAST**

**MONDAY MARCH 18**

7:00 pm **MY LEFT FOOT**  
9:15 pm **\*WILT**

**TUESDAY MARCH 19**

7:00 pm **\*WILT**  
9:15 pm **MY LEFT FOOT**

**WEDNESDAY MARCH 20**

7:00 pm Premiere **\*UNE HISTOIRE INVENTÉE**  
(Canada 1990)  
9:00 pm **\*WILT**

**THURSDAY MARCH 21**

7:00 pm **\*WILT**  
9:00 pm **UNE HISTOIRE INVENTÉE**

**FRIDAY MARCH 22**

7:00 pm **\*UNE HISTOIRE INVENTÉE**  
9:00 pm **VINCENT AND THEO**  
Midnight **AND NOW FOR SOMETHING**  
**COMPLETELY DIFFERENT**

**SATURDAY MARCH 23**

1:30 pm **AND NOW FOR SOMETHING**  
**COMPLETELY DIFFERENT**  
3:30 pm **WITHNAIL AND I**  
7:00 pm **VINCENT AND THEO**

9:45 pm **\*UNE HISTOIRE INVENTÉE**  
Midnight **AND NOW FOR SOMETHING**

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**SUNDAY MARCH 24**

1:30 pm **\*UNE HISTOIRE INVENTÉE**  
3:30 pm **VINCENT AND THEO**  
7:00 pm **\*UNE HISTOIRE INVENTÉE**  
9:15 pm **WITHNAIL AND I**

**MONDAY MARCH 25**

7:00 pm Premiere **\*BERKELEY IN THE SIXTIES**  
9:30 pm **HEATHERS**

**TUESDAY MARCH 26**

7:00 pm **HEATHERS**  
9:15 **\*BERKELEY IN THE SIXTIES**

**WEDNESDAY MARCH 27**

7:00 pm **\*BERKELEY IN THE SIXTIES**  
9:30 pm Members Reduced Adm. **BREAD AND**  
**CHOCOLATE** (Italy 1974)

**THURSDAY MARCH 28**

7:00 pm Premiere **\*ARCHANGEL**  
9:15 pm **JESUS CHRIST SUPERSTAR**  
Midnight Premiere **\*FRANKENSTEIN UNBOUND**

**FRIDAY MARCH 29**

1:30 pm **\*FRANKENSTEIN UNBOUND**  
4:00 pm **JESUS CHRIST SUPERSTAR**  
7:00 pm Premiere **\*PERFECTLY NORMAL**  
9:30 pm **\*ARCHANGEL**  
Midnight **\*FRANKENSTEIN UNBOUND**

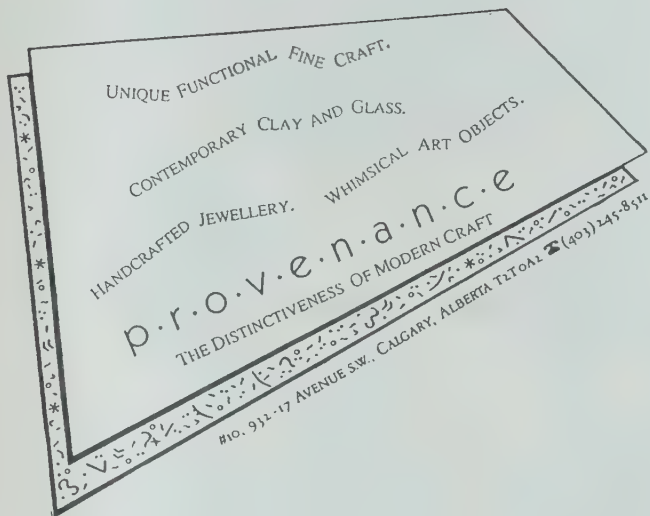
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3:30 pm **\*PERFECTLY NORMAL**  
7:00 pm **\*ARCHANGEL**  
9:30 pm **\*PERFECTLY NORMAL**  
Midnight **\*FRANKENSTEIN UNBOUND**

**SUNDAY MARCH 31**

1:30 pm **JESUS CHRIST SUPERSTAR**  
4:00 pm **\*PERFECTLY NORMAL**  
7:00 pm **\*PERFECTLY NORMAL**  
9:30 pm **\*ARCHANGEL**





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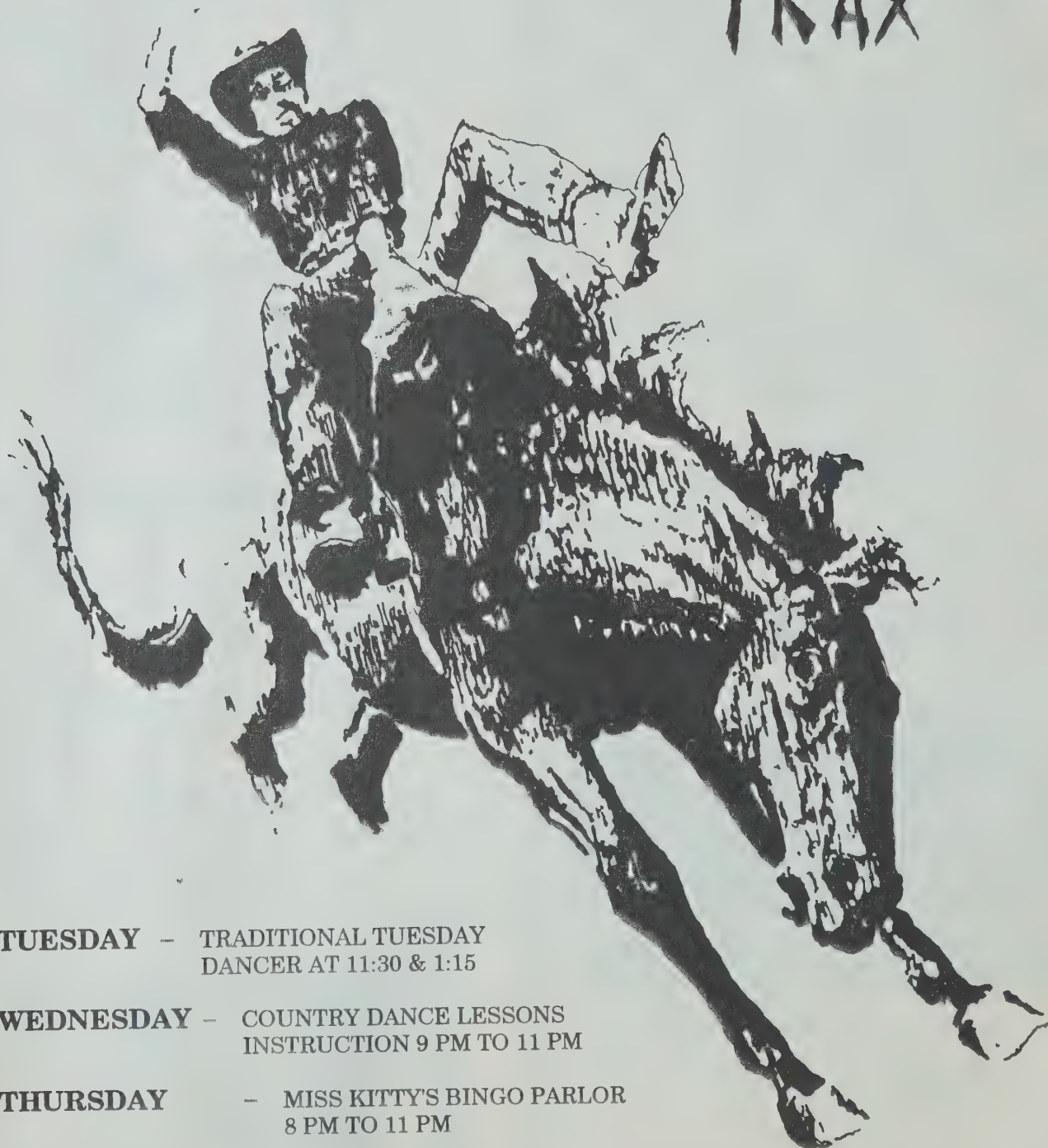
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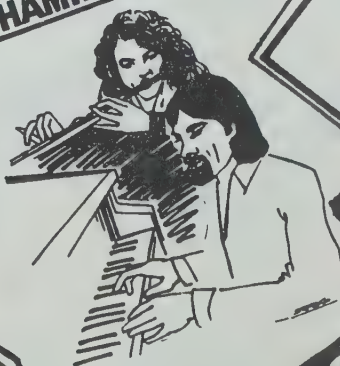
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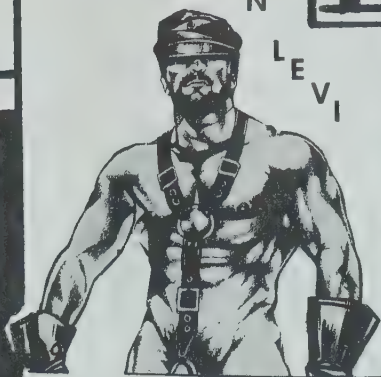
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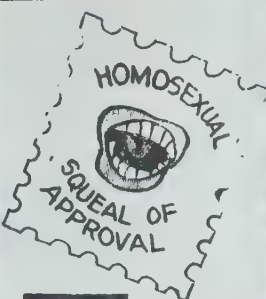


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# ALLIANCE

## COMMUNITY NEWS

*Alliance*, the community news section of *AGLP*, is written by the community, for the community, and is organized by two of the *AGLP* staff, Corinne Stearns & Paul Harris.

The concept of *Alliance* came from a need, expressed by many individuals throughout the gay & lesbian communities, to see greater communication between groups and organizations and to promote greater public awareness. Such communication is simply a function of education: individuals need to better educate themselves.

Unfortunately, until this month, there was no one place an individual could go to gather a wide variety of information about which gay & lesbian community groups and organizations exist to meet their needs.

When we first approached community groups about the possibility of publishing their newsletters and other information on a larger scale, the response was overwhelming.

Try to imagine a group with twenty-five members trying to get a message out. Such a group may have very good things to say, from recreational to political to spiritual, but with their newsletter they can only reach a very small cross section of people.

By publishing with *AGLP*, their message will now reach over ten thousand people both within and outside of the province.

Not only will the message get out, but *AGLP* will provide them with as many copies as are needed for their own circulation.

Interestingly enough, the cost to publish several thousand copies of their newsletter with *AGLP* is less expensive than by doing it any other way.

Readers will not only get news from a particular community group, but news and information from other community groups as well. This is the beginning of the education process. The gay & lesbian community can only grow stronger, healthier and more united. We think that the synergies created by this new section are undeniable, and can pull our community to a new level of awareness with very little effort.

Obviously, the size of the project prohibited us from contacting every organization the first month, but we were able to include a large number. If your group was missed, please don't feel that you have been ignored.

If not yet contacted, we will be in touch with your organization soon, or please feel free to contact either Corinne Stearns or Paul Harris at 266-4548. We would be happy to meet with you to discuss the concept, deadlines, dimensions, et cetera more thoroughly.

*Alliance*... connecting the gay & lesbian communities for the greater good.

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Alleluia Metropolitan Community Church held its first formal service of worship less than one year ago, on April 15, 1990, Easter Sunday. Representing some of the many and varied Christian traditions, Alleluia M.C.C. is classically Reformed in doctrine and liturgical in worship, sort of "Catholic Evangelicals," as it were.

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by Svend Robinson, MP

"Man will never be free  
until the last king  
is strangled with the entrails  
of the last priest"

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An outcome of the recent "Flaunting It" symposium in Edmonton was a commitment by the participants to capitalize on the momentum present within the gay and lesbian community and organize an "Alberta Solidarity Weekend."

The isolation inherent for gay groups operating in a large, lightly populated country presents barriers to communication that group events and other links can start to overcome. Links via video tape in addition to the more traditional communications are being explored as a way to help us all visualise the existence, dedication and contribution of similar groups across the country. Two million (+/-) of us spread over a geographical area the size of Canada, coupled with the unfortunate fact that so many of us are hidden even from each other, makes our links still more tenuous and our efforts ever more challenging.

It is hoped that the concept of the Alberta gathering will spread. It is important to recognise the vitality, enthusiasm and commitment of the participants and planners and to support them with your own contribution. This can take many forms, including simple attendance or additionally the provision of time, material and money. All of us need to demonstrate community support.

T.W.

**Note:** As of December 1990, the correct list of CLAGPAG STEERING COMMITTEE MEMBERS, in reverse alphabetical order, is as follows:

Christina Willings, Nancy Westholt, Ted Warwick, Rosemary Taylor, Karl Siegfried, Janet Pink, Greg Oudman, Nancy Miller, Vikki Menze, Stephen Lock, Joan Little, Derrick Jassman, Deborah Hollins, Richard Gregory (leave of absence), John Collier (leave of absence), and Matt Anderson.

## SOME CHRISTIANS REJOICE

Editors, *ALLOUT*:

Dear Friends,

Is not hiding in one's stifling closet analogous to our being buried alive in a coffin? Too often it is our fears of the consequences of our "coming out" that keep us smothering in our closets/coffins. Remember friends, risk-taking is part of our being fully human.

How much better for us to risk and dare than for us to hide and die emotionally. If we never reveal our true selves to our friends and family we will thus be denying them the opportunity to know us as we really are (and we are beautiful people), to love and support us in a homophobic world and to rejoice with us as we bravely, courageously stand up with our masks off, to be counted as proud gay or lesbian persons!

Recently I was surprised to receive an eloquently written note from my brother in Hamilton, Ontario. Because he is an evangelical Baptist minister, his support, love, and acceptance astonished me! He wrote:

" . . . I personally rejoice for you! How wonderful that you have found love, both tender and caring, with another human being. I am delighted that you are sharing your love and joy with a woman who you respect and with whom you feel comfortable. . . . Please receive my gladness; your distant brother sends it with his love!"

His loving note illustrates a popular misconception many in the straight world hold to be true: that being a lesbian automatically means having a partner or being involved in a relationship. I believe that it must be very hard for many people to envision a single lesbian [or gay man] who is celibate. I know that if I am never involved with a lesbian in a committed relationship that nonetheless I will remain a lesbian until I die.

When I came out to my three children in September 1989, all three asked if I had a partner. Many months have passed since



then and they are all past the angry stage and are happily into the supportive and accepting stage. For this I am thankful.

*Yours proudly,  
Nancy Christina Westholt  
Calgary, Alberta*

### **HOMOPHOBIA IN ALBERTA UNCHALLENGED?**

*Editors, ALLOUT:*

Homophobia reigns throughout Alberta almost unchallenged. Is not our silence in the media and at work compliance with the status quo? In our Province there is such an unwillingness to 'go public' that the educating of the general public, the dispelling of ignorant and hurtful myths, and the telling of the true facts of Alberta's gay and lesbian communities is, in my opinion, being badly neglected.

Are we CLAGPAG members doing all we can to break the silence, dispel the hurtful myths, educate the ignorant, speak up proudly about our true selves and also the accomplishments of our partners?

*Nancy Christina Westholt  
Calgary, Alberta*

## **Political Action Update**

CLAGPAG hasn't had much of a public profile since July 9 when we held our rally in support of the Montreal protest against police violence (attended by over 250 people incidently), but we have been busy behind the scenes investigating discrimination complaints submitted to the Steering Committee.

▼ IN SEPTEMBER NANCY MILLER MET with the Federal Minister of Justice Kim Campbell to present CLAGPAG's view of the need for specific civil and human rights protection in federal legislation. Nancy also handed over petition signatures, collected by CLAGPAG, urging the federal government to include specific protection for lesbians, gay men, and bisexual women and men in the Federal Human Rights Act.

▼ ON SEPTEMBER 23-24 MEMBERS OF THE Steering Committee held a Goal Setting Meeting, during which time we had an opportunity to do some process work and clarify expectations and direction.

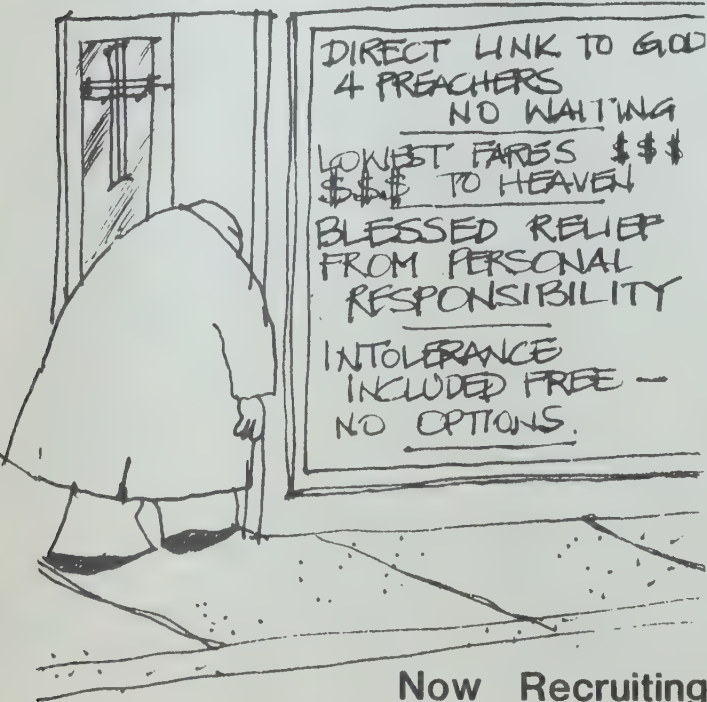
▼ CLAGPAG HELD THEIR FIRST DANCE, in conjunction with Calgary Networking Club's Conference '90, at Victoria Park Community Hall on November 3. This was quite successful and we made \$925. Well earned congratulations to Lee for the fantastic buffet, proving once again that eating right can be a delight!

▼ DURING CONFERENCE '90 THE GUILD operated a booth which was well frequented and supplied good exposure to our own communities. Thanks for all the words of encouragement.

▼ ALSO IN NOVEMBER, CLAGPAG JOINED the Edmonton-based national group 'OUT-RAGE!.' This group is modelled after QUEER NATION and ACT UP (in the U.S.A.). It is involved with non-violent, direct action protest against homophobic policies and heterosexism.

▼ NOVEMBER ALSO SAW US STARTING TO

## **EVANGELICAL CH**



**Now Recruiting**

plan a presence at the One World Film Festival being held March 1-3, 1991.

▼ DURING THE MONTH SEVERAL OF OUR Steering Committee members did presentations at the University of Calgary. Ted Warwick and Deborah Hollins spoke to a Continuing Education class on "Rednecks in Alberta" on how our communities and our people are affected by this mentality. Deborah Hollins and Christina Willings spoke to a class on "Contemporary Issues in Feminism." Thirty people attended and one womyn was so empowered she came out.

▼ TO HELP CELEBRATE NATIONAL COMING Out Day (October 11) several banners celebrating gay men, lesbians, and bisexual women and men were hung in strategic places around the city. While media attention didn't materialize, one banner at 9th Avenue over 14th Street SW remained up for at least three days; an accomplishment in itself we'd say.

▼ A MEETING WITH LABOUR MINISTER Elaine McCoy and the Chairperson of the Alberta Human Right Commission Fil Fraser set for November 17 didn't occur due to differences over what the meeting was designed to do. Briefly, Elaine McCoy and Fil Fraser were prepared to attend a function with invited guests and media present in order to assist us with positively increasing our visibility. We were more interested in utilizing the occasion to invite key people from the dominant community in order to familiarize and perhaps educate them to the abuses against our people. Elaine McCoy and Fil Fraser expressed an interest in meeting with us in the future.

▼ TED WARWICK AND DEBORAH HOLLINS investigated allegations of gender discrimination levied against a local gay-directed establishment and Christina Willings, Deborah Hollins and Stephen Lock investigated a lesbian discrimination complaint against a local bistro quite popular with the wimmin's community. CLAGPAG representatives met with all parties and served as mediator in resolving the situation with positive results. Final outcome is still pending in both these instances.

▼ ON NOVEMBER 29 - DECEMBER 1, MATT Anderson and Ted Warwick represented the Guild at the "Flaunting It" symposium in Edmonton. Svend Robinson was to be a featured speaker, but was then negotiating for the release of the Canadian hostages in Iraq. (See Ted Warwick's report on page 9).

▼ CLAGPAG SENT A LETTER OF PROTEST, as did several individual members of the Guild, to the Calgary Herald over the Vance Rodewalt editorial cartoon depicting Svend Robinson, Lloyd Axworthy and Robert Corbett preparing to meet with Saddam Hussein in which Svend Robinson was depicted carrying a shoulder bag rather than the briefcase his colleagues carried and caricatured stereotypically. The Herald didn't print the letter(s) because, due to the "copies to . . ." listed at the end of the letter, they declared it to be an "open letter" and Herald policy is not to publish such letters.

▼ IN DECEMBER, IN RESPONSE TO A COMPLAINT lodged by Gay Lines Calgary against the Calgary Drug/Distress Centre, CLAGPAG has approached the CD/DC to do an education workshop on heterosexism, homophobia, and gay/lesbian/bisexual counselling issues. The CD/DC has agreed to this and a date has been set for February.

▼ JANUARY SAW CLAGPAG FINALLY ACQUIRING a new, "official" home in the Old Y Building. Our new address is #209, 223 - 12 Avenue SW, T2R 0G9. The new phone number at the office is 266-5318. The Old Y houses several other gay/lesbian groups (Gay Lines Calgary, Lesbian & Gay Youth Calgary, Lesbian Information Line, Alleluia Metropolitan Community Church, and The SHARP Foundation (Society Housing AIDS Recovering Persons)) as well as feminist groups such as Women Looking Forward, Alberta Status of Women Action Committee, and The Women's Health Collective. We feel we've come home. The phone will be operated on a regular basis once we get settled in. In the meantime we can be contacted through Gay Lines or Lesbian Information Line.

S.L.



# BANFF: A HUMAN RIGHTS CONFERENCE

## Presentation by Svend Robinson

November 1990

I want to join with my fellow speakers in saying how honoured and how privileged I feel to be a part of this conference. I am a member of the Canadian Parliament . . . but also, and I think appropriately for the purposes of this particular discussion, I think it's important to point out that I am a gay man. I am a member of an invisible minority. Invisibility, of course, has historically allowed lesbians and gay men to hide, with all the pain and the oppression that accompanies concealing a very fundamental part of who we are as human beings. Sometimes that concealment has been necessary for our survival, indeed for our lives, certainly for our health. But this same invisibility and silence are probably the two greatest barriers to full equality and justice for lesbians, gay men, and bisexuals. I want to quote from a very fine black, lesbian poet, Audre Lord, who talked about the importance of speaking out and of breaking silences. She said: "I have come to believe, over and over again, that what is most important to me must be spoken, made verbal and shared, even at the risk of having it bruised or misunderstood, and I remind myself all the time now, that if I were to have been born mute, or have maintained an oath of silence my whole life long for safety, I would still have suffered, and I would still die. We can sit in our corners, mute forever, while



Svend Robinson, M.P.

our sisters and ourselves are wasted, while our children are distorted and destroyed, while our earth is poisoned. We can sit in our safe corners, mute as bottles, and we will still be no more less afraid. I was going to die, if not sooner then later, whether or not I had ever spoken myself. My silences had not protected me, your silence will not protect you."

So here I am to share some thoughts, and feelings, about homophobia, about heterosexism, having smuggled them in under the title of "The Right to Health Care." And of course there is a history to that: One of the themes of yesterday's plenary was "Solidarity, Attacked by Exclusion." And indeed that sense of solidarity, which all of us—whether visible or invisible minorities, or women, who are a majority in most societies—that solidarity is

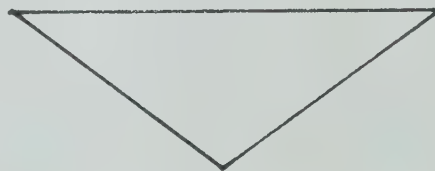
attacked by exclusion. And that exclusion, and that invisibility, in dealing with the community of lesbians and gay men, is too often the rule and not the exception. I cannot tell you the number of conferences that I have been invited to, or that I have learned about, on human rights issues, issues of fundamental equality and justice, at which equality for lesbians and gay men is not even on the agenda. And that's very wrong. There are many examples of that. A conference in these mountains last year tried to educate our judiciary about human rights; lengthy, lengthy agenda, every conceivable aspect of human rights and yet, invisibility. When I drew this to the attention of the organizers I was told effectively it was too late and we're sorry. The conference coming up next month in Ottawa, Human Rights and Canadian Solidarity, well, once again an agenda which one would think might incorporate that concern, silent on that agenda. Well I've once again drawn that to the attention of the organizers, and perhaps something will be incorporated; I hope so. . . . But frankly I'm getting kind of tired of always having to remind those who should know better that men and women in Canada, and globally, are victims of widespread and systemic discrimination in justice at all levels of society, discrimination which takes an extraord-

inary toll, in human terms. And it shouldn't be necessary to add on this discussion to other agendas. It should be an essential part of any agenda about human rights in a civilized society.

I want to say how much I value the presentations of my co-presenters, in a number of different areas. I think the linkages are very real. . . . Cuba, of course, is a classic example of the inhumanity of the moral and social panic in responding to a health care crisis. In Cuba since 1986 there has been virtually universal testing. Over ten million tests have been conducted, on a population of eight million, and every single person who tests positive is removed from their community, removed from their home, and locked up, locked up indefinitely. . . . Well, where are the voices of outrage and anger at the fact that some three to four hundred people are being locked up as prisoners because they have a virus? Where is Canada's voice? Where are the voices of the global community on this? I think we have to recognize that obviously homophobia has played an important role in our response to this health care crisis. In Canada the first case of AIDS was diagnosed in early 1982. Since then over 2,400 people have died, over 2,000 of them gay men. In fact, tragically and chillingly, the T-shirt which I saw in a store in Banff was accurate: "AIDS KILLS FAGS DEAD!" An awful lot of gay men have died in this country, and it wasn't until June of this year, some eight years later, that the government finally announced a national strategy to deal with this

health care crisis: 112 million dollars over the next three years, when we increase our spending on the military by over 600 million in this year alone. And of course in the early years of the struggle against this disease we were totally alone as a community and frankly I think that we displayed an extraordinary degree of compassion and caring as a community—in fact a model, in many ways, for broader society as to how

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to respond, and we were, as I say, totally alone. . . .

And our Minister of National Health and Welfare, Perrin Beatty, has recognized that homophobia is a concern. In his statement on the national strategy earlier this year he said that "the reaction of Canadians is often a pervasive homophobia, a fear reaction which is itself one of the greatest impediments to progress in this issue." Well, having identified that problem, what is his government then

doing? Five years ago, a parliamentary committee of seven members, unanimously recommended to the Government of Canada that all discrimination based on sexual orientation at the federal level in this country should stop. I was a member of that committee at the time and all five Conservative members of the committee, the Liberal member, and myself were unanimous. It was a strong report, and in March 1986 the government responded and said "we will take all measures necessary to prohibit discrimination based on sexual orientation." Four and half years later we're still waiting—for justice, for basic justice.

And what does the denial of that justice mean in real terms? It means that it's legal in Canada today at the federal level and in those provinces and territories that haven't yet changed their law, to fire someone from their job, to throw them out of their home, to deny them access to services, solely because of the fact that we happen to be lesbian or gay. Here in Alberta it's happened, and it will continue to happen until the government changes the law. It's not just an abstract concern. Last year I was invited to speak at a fundraising effort for Celebration '90, Gay Games, which was a cultural and athletic event in Vancouver in August of this year. A Calgary group—a rather discrete group, called Calgarians Networking Discretely [sic], a lesbian and gay group—booked a banquet room at the Delta Bow Valley Hotel to raise funds. They invited me to come and speak. When the hotel found out what this



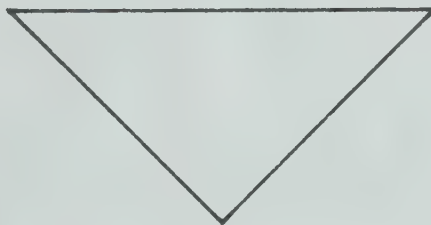
really was all about, they sent a letter to the organizers cancelling the booking, and said that "we don't want your kind in our hotel." Well that's legal. That's legal in Alberta. That's legal in Canada. And where were the voices of outrage, from the academic community for example? Again, it's not good enough to leave these concerns to the victims of the discrimination. Tenure is there, I remind those of you who are professors, for a reason. You know? Remember that. Remember that. Remember the men and women who have been subject to tremendous pain in the Canadian Armed Forces. Qualified, highly qualified men and women who are thrown out of their jobs solely because of the fact that they happen to be lesbian or gay. Subjected to degrading and humiliating investigations.

Remember the violence, the harassment, the gay bashing that takes an enormous toll on the lesbian and gay community. And the level has gone up, as the community has become more visible. I think this is probably linked to the point [made earlier]: the level of rape has gone up as feminism has become more visible and more prominent. The greatest incidence of gay bashing and violence is in San Francisco, which is thought to be a pretty progressive jurisdiction. And what's happening too often? Nothing is being done to counter the violence. The Governor's Task Force on Bias Related Violence concluded, after a lengthy study, that of all the groups the most severe hostilities are directed at lesbians and gay men. And one of the greatest tragedies

is that too often this violence is never reported. It's not reported because people are afraid that if it becomes public that they are a victim of violence, that they will lose their jobs. So again there is that double degree of punishment.

The verbal abuse: of course there's no protection in hate literature laws, no protection at all against hate literature directed at lesbians and gay men.

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There is the violence and the abuse of our children and our young people of the levels of suicide and attempted suicide among young lesbians and gay men. An untold story, not just in this country, but elsewhere. The fact is that the level of suicide among young lesbians and gay men is absolutely staggering. That the leading cause of death among young lesbians and gay men is suicide. That something like 20 percent of young lesbians and something

like 30 to 35 percent of young gay men seriously contemplate or attempt suicide. And too often we are silent as a community. The fact is that when we're not silent, sometimes those who parade as Christians, as Fundamentalist Christians, are helping to create an environment in which this kind of pain is exacerbated. You know the Fundamentalists who accuse people of being sinners, if they happen to be lesbian or gay: as one of my friends said, "I don't mind them being born again, but why do they have to come back as themselves?"

The fact that there are so very, very few role models. The fact that we are almost invisible in the media to the extent that we're there. Vito Russo, from 1971 to 1975, documented 28 major Hollywood films which included a major homosexual character. Of the 28, 26 died a violent death and the other two were institutionalized. Those are the images which young people see.

The fact that our relationships do not exist in the eyes of the law, no legal recognition whatsoever. That Brian Mossop of Ontario should have to fight in the courts for one day of bereavement leave to attend the funeral of the father of his partner of eleven years. And should lose, and be told that his family doesn't exist. That Karen Thompson, whose partner of nine years, Sharon Kowolsky, was injured in a car accident, should be denied any access to her partner for three years, because her relationship did not exist. The pain that's involved in that kind of denial of our

relationships, of benefits, health, old age pension. But, as much as anything else, just the denial that our relationships are just as strong, and just as loving, and just as committed, and, God knows, if they can survive in this society, just as committed as any others. And yet no legal recognition whatsoever. . . .

But the most powerful weapon . . . to fight homophobia must surely be breaking the silence and ending the invisibility. And that takes many forms: coming out, with a sense of pride and dignity is one of the most powerful; challenging agendas when we are invisible and silenced and denied any recognition; education and awareness in the media, on campuses—how many law schools today have programmes on lesbian and gay studies? Not very many. As [a presenter] said yesterday, not many have programmes on aboriginal studies. That invisibility has got to be confronted.

And we've got to do what we can, most importantly, to

break down the lies and challenge the bigotry. The most hateful of all I think is that somehow we are a threat to children. And yet we know this is a lie . . .

So we're not just looking for some sort of special rights, we're looking for basic equality and justice. Ten years ago when I moved an amendment to the Constitution of Canada, to the Charter of Rights, to prohibit discrimination based on sexual orientation, the Conservative spokesperson on the special parliamentary committee said we can't include every barnacle and eavestrough. Well I'm not a barnacle and I'm not an eavestrough. I'm a human being and I want to appeal to all of you on behalf of those other human beings who have been denied that justice and that equality, who are your brothers and your sisters and your neighbours and your parents and your co-workers and your friends, to recognize that injustice, to name it, and together to walk the path that Judy Chicago

spoke of so eloquently in these words: "and then all that has divided us will merge, and then compassion will be wedded to power, and then softness will come to a world that is harsh and unkind, and then both men and women will be gentle, and then both women and men will be strong, and then all will live in harmony with each other and the earth, and then everywhere will be called Eden once again."

Thank you.

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ALLOUT would like to acknowledge Niall O'Rourke and "Speak Sebastian" for providing a tape recording of Svend Robinson's presentation. The slightly edited version printed here was prepared by the editors from a transcript made by Matt Anderson. SPEAK SEBASTIAN can be heard on CJSW FM91 on Wednesdays at 9 PM.

## REPORT ON "FLAUNTING IT" A Symposium, Edmonton

November 1990

by Ted Warwick

This symposium started with registration on the 29th of November and extended over the next three days concluding with an energy, enthusiasm and participation that was truly electric.

Each day started with short, discerning talks by a variety of informed speakers including Shelagh Day, Evelyn

Kallen, and Larry Jewell. Svend Robinson's concern for the release and safety of Canadian hostages in Iraq rightfully took precedence over his previous commitment to speak at the symposium. Following, small groups discussed issues affecting the gay and lesbian communities and ultimately suggested ways to

combat discrimination. The spokespersons for these groups itemised the salient points for the general body and transcripts and video tapes of portions of the conference are available to participants and interested others.

Delwin Vriend, an instructor at The King's College outside Edmonton, and his parents,



spoke about his coming out experience in an institution that was originally founded by a rigid Protestant group. While the college now receives considerable public funding it still promotes its religious roots, unfortunately to Delwin's detriment. He was fired. A reprint of the board's position statement on homosexuality follows this report.

Two representatives of the Alberta Human Rights Commission including the director Fil Fraser, were present on the afternoon of the 30th of November ostensibly to lend encouragement and supply suggestions for achieving legal protection. Fil Fraser quickly antagonised the audience with his self-serving, paternalistic and pedantic delivery. Questions and concerns raised by the content of his performance were cut off, glossed over and hushed up. His exit was one of self-righteous indignation. Because the

Alberta Human Rights Commission has a mandate to protect the legal status of minority groups does not mean the legitimacy of our group is ever going to be recognised

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by the myopic posturing exhibited by this director. The stimulus for us should be to achieve legal status in spite of Fil Fraser.

Pursuant to our closing commitment to organize an Alberta Solidarity Weekend, a preliminary steering committee has been formed in Edmonton.

An initial meeting will be held in March to begin the process for what promises to be a well attended, inspirational and long overdue forum for contact.

The "Flaunting It" symposium was organised by Gay and Lesbian Awareness (of Edmonton) (GALA), and their hard work and skills were evident throughout the event. Continued contact and coordination of joint projects with this dedicated and professional group are to be encouraged.

If you would like a video or audio tape of any portions of the symposium contact GALA at Box 53, Edmonton, Alberta, T5J 2G3, or phone Maureen at (403) 454-8031 for more information. V

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"After a hard day at the office, it's nice to be with your own kind, isn't it?"

THE KING'S COLLEGE

DATE: January 14, 1991  
MEMO TO: Faculty and Staff  
FROM: Henk Van Andel  
SUBJECT: Board's position statement on homosexuality

In view of the public discussion regarding homosexuality and how this affects employment at the College, the Board of Governors, at its meeting of January 11, 1991, adopted the following interpretive statement reflecting its current position on the matter. The statement has the endorsement of the Senate.

*The King's College Statement of faith declares that "the context for education at the College is a specifically Christian world-and-life view, that is, a view that is informed by the Bible, the authoritative Word of God, as confessed by the early church and in the creeds of the Protestant Reformation."*

*We interpret the Bible's message regarding human sexuality to be that differentiation of the sexes is normative for human sexual activity as part of the intended creation. The Bible repeatedly endorses heterosexuality as the norm in creation. The Bible also prohibits homosexual activity in both the Old and New Testament and describes it as a distortion of the creation order.*

*We recognize that homosexual orientation (i.e. sexual attraction to a person of the same sex) is a condition which may not be of a person's own choosing, and as such may not be blameworthy. However, people are responsible for the way they act. Homosexual conduct, like heterosexual conduct, involves choices and is to be evaluated in light of the Bible's teachings regarding sexual conduct.*

*Thus homosexual practice (i.e. sexual activity with a person of the same sex), and the promotion of homosexual practice as an acceptable alternative to a normative heterosexual relationship, are considered to be contrary to the College's Statement of Faith and inconsistent with its mission.*

*The College will continue to demonstrate love and compassion to any employee whose conduct appears to breach Biblical norms. Recognizing the healing power of Christ's redemption, the college will explore possibilities of restoration.*

*If, however, the continued conduct of an employee is judged to be inconsistent with the aims of the College, and to bring into disrepute the work of the College, such an employee may be asked to resign.*



# PROfile:

## Rev. George Millard

by Matt Anderson

The installation of Rev. George Millard as minister of the Metropolitan Community Church (MCC) Calgary, on November 11, 1990, marked an important and joyful milestone in his personal journey. While in some respects it was just another logical step in his coming out process, which began in 1980, it was also a highly significant step, for George personally and for the gay and lesbian community. In deciding to accept the position at MCC Calgary, George was publicly affirming and celebrating what he refers to as "God's gift of sexuality." He was also making a commitment to live and work in harmony with his personal values and his deeply felt sense of spirituality. That George has been able to make this commitment is a gift which will benefit all in the lesbian and gay community and especially the Christians among us, many of whom have been made to feel misunderstood, rejected, and isolated by their religion.

For George Millard to reach this point and be able to make this step has, of course, required many preceding steps, often courageous steps, in a journey that has at times been difficult and painful. George grew up and received his early education in southern Manitoba. He was ordained as a minister of the United Church of Canada in 1954 and worked for eight years among the native people

in northern Manitoba. He completed his education by graduating from St Stephen's College, Edmonton with a Masters degree in Theology.

He was married in 1956 and had two sons. It is significant that he and his wife also adopted two daughters. The family moved to Okotoks, Alberta in 1976 and George continued his ministry there until 1983 when he moved to Scarboro United Church in Calgary. George's younger son, who was at college in Calgary, was tragically killed in a car accident.

After some years of struggling to gain an understanding of his sexuality, George eventually accepted that he is gay. His 26 years of marriage ended amicably in 1982 and he has maintained a friendly relationship with his ex-wife. He has also continued to be a caring and loving father to his surviving son and daughters, who visit regularly. Lately, he has been enjoying some grandfatherly duties as well.

Along the way, George has confronted and won the battle against internal homophobia that is instilled in all of us. But he has also taken up the challenge of helping to eliminate homophobia throughout society. That aspect of his journey began while he was still a minister in the Scarboro United Church and secretary of the Calgary presbytery. Before he retired, in 1988, he worked diligently



Rev. George Millard

and patiently, often in difficult circumstances, to promote acceptance of gay and lesbian ministers within the church. Throughout this trying period, George held faithfully to his strong sense of justice and has been unwavering in his position that it is wrong and unrealistic for the church to try to impose chastity on its gay and lesbian members.

It is perhaps typical of George's values that his mission against prejudice and injustice is not limited to the single issue of homophobia. He has worked hard for many years to combat racism and social injustice, particularly in a number of countries in Africa. Through working trips to African countries and organizations in Canada, he has contributed a great deal of his time, personal effort, and money to this cause.

There is a common path, a purpose, that winds its way through George Millard's life journey. It's as powerful as it is uncomplicated: he has devoted himself to the promotion of greater understanding. That provides a role model which transcends the issue of sexual orientation. V

## Religious Pronouncements

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by Matt Anderson

I invite you to read the pronouncements of some representatives of the religious community in Alberta on the topic of homosexuality: (1) The King's College "position statement" reprinted on page 11 and (2) Pastor Cal Ellerby's "letter to the editor" of The Standard, reproduced on page 15. (Ellerby's letter was written in response to a letter sent by Ted Warwick to all Newspapers in Alberta, which we printed in the "OUT-BASKET" section of the last ALLOUT under the heading "Is Alberta Civilised?")

Now I want to apologize to you for possibly subjecting you to an experience which was probably about as pleasant as sticking your finger down your throat. But there is a purpose behind the pain. These two examples are reasonably representative of the expressions of opinion that we have been hearing from most religious authorities for a long time—far too long. They are no more worthy, now, of an expenditure of my time, or yours, than they ever were. However, it is necessary to become familiar with their content, not so that we can respond to them—which would allow them much more credibility than they warrant—but rather to demonstrate a key point about the people who continue to expound these views.

You don't have to read too much of this stuff before you realize that there is a large

amount of repetitive similarity in the content, regardless of the kind of language used. It also becomes obvious, to any moderately intelligent person who has given just a little time and effort to informing themselves about the subject of homosexuality from reliable and up-to-date sources, that these outpourings contain innumerable errors of fact and omission. Indeed, there is hardly a paragraph that does not include some form of misinformation.

A few examples should

### The Bible also condemns heterosexual activity . . .

illustrate this, first from the King's College memo:

(a) In the second paragraph of the statement: "The Bible repeatedly endorses heterosexuality as the norm . . . [and] also prohibits homosexual activity . . . Fact: There are six passages in The Bible that can be interpreted as condemnation of homosexual activity (Leviticus 18:22 & 20:13; Deuteronomy 23:17; 1 Kings 14:24; Romans 1:26-7; Corinthians 6:9). What King's College

doesn't tell us is that The Bible also condemns **heterosexual** activity in at least seven passages (1 Corinthians 6:9-10; 1 Timothy 1:10; Leviticus 18:6-20; 19:29; & 20:10-12; Deuteronomy 5:18-21 & 22:22-30).

(b) In the third paragraph: "Homosexual conduct, like heterosexual conduct, involves choices and is to be evaluated in light of the Bible's teachings regarding sexual conduct." What the College does not tell us is when they will begin seeking out and firing heterosexual faculty and staff whose sexual conduct does not conform to the Bible's teachings.

(c) In paragraph 5: "The college will continue to demonstrate love and compassion to any employee whose conduct appears to breach Biblical norms." This must either be an error, or the College's definition of "love and compassion" must be grossly perverted. They have taken away Delwin Vriend's livelihood, severely damaged his career, and subjected him and his family to extraordinary trauma and stress. I can't reconcile that with any normal definition of "love and compassion."

Now consider Cal Ellerby's letter (p.15):

(d) Second paragraph: ". . . I feel an urgent moral obli-



gation to respond to the letter on behalf of the vast majority of Albertans, Canadians and North Americans . . ." Mr Ellerby is mistaken; he has no right, or ability, to respond on behalf of anyone but himself. He is also wrong when he implies that "the vast majority" hold values which condemn homosexuality. The fact is that a fairly recent scientific survey showed that 56% of Canadians accept homosexuality and homosexuals.

(e) Paragraph three: ". . . I do believe every human being is entitled to basic rights of freedom and opportunity as long as it remains within the boundaries of the laws of nature and moral justice." Mr Ellerby appears to have quite erroneously added some conditions to the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms which don't exist anywhere in my copy. But perhaps his version means that he is willing to accept and abide by definitions of "moral justice" and "the laws of nature" determined by some of the non-christian and other cultures that are part of North America.

(f) Paragraph six: ". . . but check where everything is suppose to fit . . ." Mr. Ellerby might be wrong about this, unless, of course, he has tried out a wide range of possibilities and thus proved that, indeed, things "fit" in only one way. (Frankly, Mr. Ellerby's view of human sexuality disgusts me only slightly less than his view of "moral justice.")

(g) Paragraph eight: ". . . there is such widespread

abhorrence of homosexuality . . ." Ellerby is just plain wrong; see (d) above.

Well I'm sick of this exercise already. It becomes clear that these kinds of religious pronouncements contain almost as many errors as sentences. But that is not the crucial point.

What justifies our expenditure of time and effort here is the following observation: this ongoing outpouring of factual errors and omissions, misinformation, inappropriate

## the clergy has been getting away with this for centuries

and damaging advice and opinions continues to come mostly from the clergy.

But the clergy has always claimed that they are a "profession." Indeed, their claim to professional status goes back so far in history that they consider themselves to be one of the "traditional" professions, alongside law and medicine. Well, I know of no other profession—including my own, which is engineering—in which it is possible to get away with this kind of unethical behaviour. If, within the area of my authority, I make erroneous statements, or propagate misinformation, or give incorrect advice, or

express unfounded opinions to the public, I can be dealt with under the law, including criminal proceedings. And what about your doctor and lawyer? How long would you be willing to accept erroneous information and bad advice from them before you took action? And yet the clergy has been getting away with this for centuries.

Their 'track record' throughout history is miserable. They have been wrong, for example, in their pronouncements about slavery; mental disabilities; people of other races, ethnic origins, and cultures; women; and homosexuality. And yet they are afforded all of the status, protection, and authority and power that goes with being a member of a profession. So how many mistakes and misjudgments are they to be allowed? How much harm will a society tolerate from a profession before making it accountable? V

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### Point to Ponder

The word 'Gay' has had various senses dealing with sexual conduct, including areas relating to homosexuals, since the 17th century. The word 'homosexual' was created after 1890. (Source: The Random House Dictionary, 2nd Ed. Unabridged, 1987.)

# Morality Offended

May 23, 1990

Dear Editor:

I rarely pay much attention to the issues citizens raise in their letters to the editor, but after reading *Rights denied to gays*, in the May 15 issue of *The Standard*, I was absolutely appalled and disgusted at what was before me.

I realize the radical minority will view me as intolerant and insensitive but I feel an urgent moral obligation to respond to the letter on behalf of the vast majority of Albertans, Canadians and North Americans who hold basic values of decency, uprightness and the divinely ordained family structures.

I would like to say from the outset I do believe every human being is entitled to basic rights of freedom and opportunity as long as it remains within the boundaries of the laws of nature and moral justice.

In reading the letter it was obvious the author was expressing anger and resentment to influence the general public towards his particular persuasion. Speaking of anger, I know huge numbers of people in this community were outraged this solicitation of sympathy for such a violation of nature would be allowed to reach the public's hands. I am thankful my children, who will never "learn" to be or "choose" to be homosexuals, are too young to read such matters.

Regarding the questions raised in the letter, let me respond this way:

Men were created for women and women for men. You don't have to be a sex education teacher to figure that out and you don't have to be a religious person to know that any violation of these roles is a conscious choice and a learned lifestyle. You can scrutinize my views on this all you want but check where everything is supposed to fit and then answer the question yourself.

Despite this individual's heart-rending plea for acceptance and empathy, he has misunderstood the public's disapproval. It is not the people who are being rejected, it is the immoral and totally unnatural

sexual appetite they stand for that is being rejected.

Did it ever occur to these people that there is such widespread abhorrence of homosexuality for the simple reason that it is just plain wrong. People from every background and every culture get a funny feeling inside as soon as you start talking about homosexuality because that "created in God's image" part of us knows it is just not right.

When speaking of health benefits, it is absurd to think of considering a "partner" of the same sex as a spouse and recipient of coverage. I have a cousin who is a great friend and whom I love a lot, but I don't sleep with him. Although under this mentality I should be able to claim him as a dependant for my group insurance claims, just because he means so much to me.

Furthermore, homosexuality is not a "natural occurring condition," it is a "learned lifestyle," that can be overcome with help. Expressions of love to people is what contributes to a healthy society, but not acceptance of the violations of nature, creation and God's intended order. I heard an old preacher say one time, "you love the sinner and hate the sin." My heart goes out to these people but I cannot condone or accept their chosen sexual life-style.

The Bible informs us homosexuality and social tolerance of it is one of the last steps of degradation civilizations take before divine judgment overtakes them.

The homosexual community can call me "narrow and mean spirited," but someone must stand up for moral purity. When you cannot accept the breakdown of the moral fiber of our nation any longer, stand up and be heard from and please let your member of the provincial legislature know about it.

Yours truly,

Pastor Cal Ellerby  
Strathmore Full Gospel Church



# 'Conversion' efforts mask desire to suppress gays, lesbians

by Graham Haig

Reprinted from the Ottawa "Citizen," November 1990.

## ... the wall of suppression mounted against lesbians and gays is finally caving in.

Theories abound on why gays are gay, and why lesbians are lesbians. They parade in and out of style like bright, short-lived stars in some bizarre fashion industry. Gays are gay because mommy was domineering. Lesbians were scarred by the dominant patriarchy. Gays were sexually abused as children. Lesbians are lesbians because of the hormone balance in the womb. Gays are gay because we live in cities, and crowded mammals produce gay offspring. Lesbians are lesbian because — well, you get the picture.

In a pair of articles Nov. 3, Bob Harvey, *Citizen* religion editor, reported the latest contrivance: gays are gay because they "never felt affirmed by their fathers." Harvey was quoting

the executive director of a religious organization devoted to changing gays into straights.

It is tempting to attack such organizations for their surface deception (Harvey's main anecdote related not even to a gay man, but to a drug-addicted, transsexual prostitute) and their lack of scientific credibility, but this would ignore the significance of their efforts.

We live in a culture that exhibits the pernicious assumption that it is wrong to be gay or lesbian. The assumption is based on superstition, and its logic proceeds something like this: Men and women are supposed to be attracted to the opposite sex; this is an express purpose revealed by our physical bodies. To be attracted to the same sex is aberrant, or sinful, and contrary to the express purpose. To contradict the purpose is to threaten the purpose. Threats to the purpose must be suppressed.

This chain of logic

is so weak as to be ridiculous. Only the blasphemous profess to comprehending a "purpose" from the evidence at hand. Obviously men and women were created with the ability to be attracted to the same sex, witness me, a gay man. For proof that our physical bodies reveal this ability, pick up a copy of the *Joy of Lesbian or Gay Sex*. Every population, of every culture, under every religion, ruled by every law, raised by every method of child-care, subject to every level of health care, enjoying every rung in socio-economic status, at every point in history, contains a stable minority of lesbians and gays, estimated at 10 to 20 percent. To be attracted to the same sex is not aberrant; on the contrary, it is normal and expected that there will be lesbians and gays. Which leaves the matter of being suppressed.

It is not enough in our culture that lesbians and gays are oppressed. It is not enough that gays are

beaten, that lesbians are verbally assaulted, or that both are quite blatantly discriminated against. It is not enough that gays and lesbians live in the shadow of holocaust, for example our experience under Hitler, or our experience in Iran today. No, our culture demands more — our culture demands that every person should build a wall of suppression within themselves. A wall to prevent that person from taking one teeny little lesbian or gay step.

Go to the schoolyard and listen to the children. The gravest insult hurled between the boys is faggot. Faggot refers to the times when England had gays harnessed to four teams of horses and pulled apart, and then used their body parts as kindling — "faggots" — on witch's fires. From the mouths of innocent children! Children building that internal wall.

These children will grow up. Some of them will be lesbian or gay. And some of them, despondent,

caged by their internal wall of suppression, will despair that they are lesbian or gay.

In Canada, studies have shown that up to 40 percent of these children attempt suicide before the age of 20.

This is the significance of the organized efforts to "convert" gays and lesbians. Couching their arguments in ever-so-tolerant sophistry, offering the pretence of a cure, the underlying desire driving these organizations is that lesbians and gays be suppressed.

Their recent resurgence can be traced to the fact that the wall of suppression mounted against lesbians and gays is finally caving in. As gays and lesbians finally win grudging respect and protection for our human rights, some are desperately attempting to shore up the walls of suppression in their losing fight. The damage of suppression, the guilt and false hopes of family and friends, the wasted lives of lesbians and gays, the lies of identities denied, even the escape into suicide, be damned — gays and lesbians must be suppressed.

*Graham Haig is director of the Association of Lesbians and Gays of Ottawa.*

HOMOSEXUALITY  
SIN OR SICKNESS?



AND NOW BOYS AND GIRLS, TODAY'S TALK IS BY JIMMY BAKKER WHO HAS BEEN ALLOWED OUT ON DAY PASS FOR THIS IMPORTANT SUBJECT.

## Why Should I Come Out?

by Ted Warwick

*Based on a presentation to the "Gay & Lesbian Academics, Students & Staff," University of Calgary, January 22, 1991.*

**Several gay men were murdered last year in Canada. Just for being gay or "suspected" of being gay. No trial, no jury, the death sentence. Some consider this justice.**

Many of these people were hidden, closeted, playing by the "rules," acting straight. In desperation for a human touch, the intensity of touch we all need to feel human, they exposed their vulnerability only to face a vicious attack. For others their openness made them targets. Their decision not to live as victims, to live more or less free of proscribed artificial roles, doomed them. Thousands of others were beaten, robbed, kicked, ridiculed,

humiliated and hospitalised. None among us is safe. Our courage may put us at risk and hiding takes a terrible toll. But our silence will not protect us.

Although I believe gay men continued to be assaulted because we have abandoned and abdicated the exclusive straight male purview of power, lesbians in addition to being women continue to be assaulted because they've never attained this exclusive



and elusive power. We won't change and we won't hide. We won't continue our silence.

There are already dozens of levels on which we all experience growth, change and development. These evolutions occur over a lifetime. We are always having to accept the inevitability and inexorability of change. Why not add coming out to this process? It changes and grows; it is a process not a single event. I came out to myself 25 years ago. I came out to my aunt last month. She worried me. A 91 year old Anglican who has never been stingy with her views. And she's OK.

We will always be coming out all our lives, opening one small door after another. Coming out is a spiritual, emotional and intellectual experience and it's not easy to articulate. Coming out is an important process of growth and self discovery. It is done in unique ways to a unique schedule for each individual. We can substitute the energy it takes to hide for the courage to live and have a reserve of energy for other pursuits. It's a pretty good deal.

An argument used against us and not without some legitimacy is: "If so many of you people are so unhappy, where the hell are you?" Well, where the hell are we? Our silence confirms our victimization. If our family and friends, colleagues and classmates don't know we are here we can hardly blame them for ignoring us. Most of those to whom we're close would recognise our legitimate claim to equal treatment. Our coming out adds their voice to our views. And we need support, not their silence.

When I was twenty, I read a book in which the author had two men kiss. On the lips. It was not meant to be a positive experience and I was disgusted. I was well conditioned to respond in just that way. And I was gay. Somehow against all the odds, I was gay. My parents were straight. They raised me to be straight. My relatives were straight; or were they? Some of them were hiding too. Hidden so well that I didn't know that one of my favorite aunts was a lesbian; that my cousin was gay. They hid in silence, booze, unhappiness

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and shame. They never found themselves and I had been lied to. I wanted to kiss a man too. I wanted to hold a man in my arms. I realised with a volatile mixture of discovery, ecstasy and terror that I had found a part of myself. A part of myself that had been hidden from me, denied to me by a society that felt it had the right to define and describe; direct and control my most intimate personal experiences. A first unconsidered response is to share this discovery with those to whom you are close. That lasts just a few seconds. Even your parents might be your enemy. Then the hiding starts.

But hiding criminalizes our self-identity and justifies in our own minds the mistreatment we then experience. We feel forced to reduce the caring, loving and affectionate part of our lives to a level both clandestine and subversive and then we are attacked for just that expression.

With each step in coming out comes a little more freedom from our fears. With each chipping away at our fears comes a renewed sense of our own positive self-worth. Only fitting for positive, worthy people. A realization that you and only you make the truly important decisions in your life. The sense of freedom is overwhelming. I'm sure there is also a sense of liberation in throwing off your anger. I'm not there yet, but I'm tantalised by the possibility of getting there. We always have something for which to strive and coming out for gay men and lesbians is just one more level in this process. Our need for affection and the direction for which it is natural for us to express it is core to our very being. It is an essential, intrinsic part of who you are. It is far more than just a titillating, sexual discussion. More than a crude visualization of what body pieces go where. Until we can accept and rejoice in who we are; until we can accept our own essential parts, others won't see the need to. We keep parts hidden from ourselves and from others in the fear that what and who we are won't meet our demanding expectations; won't be good enough. But what and who we are is always good enough. V

THE CALGARY LESBIAN AND Gay Political Action Guild was formed in early 1989 to speak and act on political concerns of Calgary's gay and lesbian community. Consisting of a 15 member Steering Committee and supportive members throughout the community, the Guild's primary focus is the ongoing discrimination against lesbians, gay men, and bisexuals who exist in our society without equal human rights.

As a political action group, our efforts also include educating both our own community and the heterosexual community about the discrimination we face daily in our society. We will act on any person's behalf, respecting any wish for confidentiality, to fight incidents of discrimination based on sexual orientation. Politicians do not feel that discrimination against gays and lesbians is an issue—or even occurs. We need all persons in the community to call us about cases of discrimination so that we can build a case history file. Anonymity is guaranteed. Please complete and mail the attached form, or contact us by phone. Your voice needs to be heard.

THE GUILD REQUIRES MEMBERS both as a source of revenue and as a means of showing how many Albertans support this issue. Members of the Guild are entitled to vote at the Annual General Meeting and run for positions on the Steering Committee. The Guild also publishes A L L O U T, a quarterly political newsletter, which members receive free, keeping you informed of the political effort and progress of the Guild. Many people offer donations as well, money that

helps sustain the efforts of the Guild. We are planning personal meetings with every MLA and MP in Alberta. We need the names of people willing to speak about their experience of discrimination. Do you have a parent, brother or sister, or friend, who is gay positive and wants to help the fight for gay rights? Having these people speak to MLAs/MPs is very effective.

The Guild needs the assistance of professionals in the community who could help with their special area of expertise. Are you a lawyer who could advise us? We need office space. Can we distribute pamphlets at your place of business? Please complete the attached form.

# I WANT TO HELP!

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- ☐ Be on a phone lobby
- ☐ Write letters to MLAs/MPs
- ☐ Meet with MLAs/MPs and share a personal experience of discrimination
- ☐ Lend my professional skills
- ☐ Distribute material within another community group
- ☐ Distribute my material within my business
- ☐ Offer office space for meetings

☐ I HAVE BEEN DISCRIMINATED BECAUSE OF MY SEXUAL ORIENTATION (please explain)

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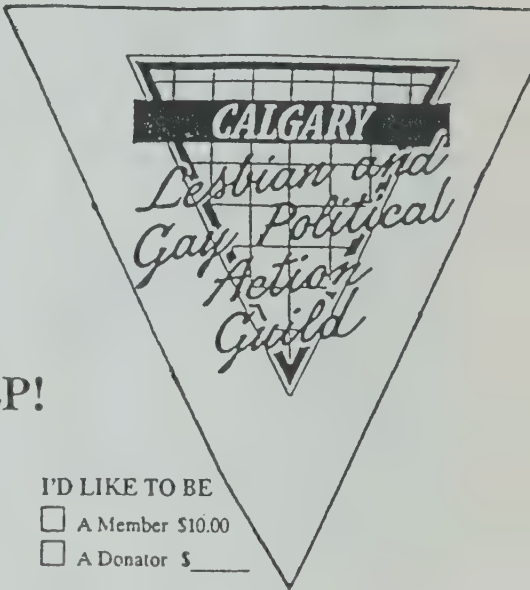


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# CLUB

# CALGARY

March, 1991

Volume 01, Number 06

## Our Brief History

C.L.U.B. Calgary has been in existence since September of 1990 and the growth in the organization has been phenomenal. We began with just a small list of personal acquaintances and began the process of building. During the month of September a one page

"newsletter" was sent out, which included a nomination form to elect the executive and an invitation to the "Organizational Party" which was held on October 6, 1990. We had about forty-five people in attendance at the first Annual General Meeting and elected a five person executive. You all now who we are and are always welcome to contact any one of us at any time. The news-

letter had already grown to four pages and was beginning to snowball. Our next meeting and pub night was held on November 10. The official name "C.L.U.B. Calgary" was adopted by the membership and the organization was off and running. During that weekend memberships were available and just under 20 were sold. As Christmas approached our "Noel de Noir", (Black



Christmas) party was organized by a team of people and the event turn into huge success. This event also was a fund raiser for the "Greenbough Fund" and a food collection for the "Calgary Food Bank". Our activities as a club had begun, committed not only to meeting local needs of our own membership but, in supporting needed and needy non-anti gay programs. During the month of December our membership grew to about 35 paid members, yet we remained unknown or little known in Calgary. January and February have by far been our most successful months C.L.U.B. Calgary's brief history. Our first afternoon social was held, as a brunch and beer bash. The number of people that attended and the type of function indicated that we were ready to take the next step as an organization, EDUCATION! In February we held the first of a monthly series of "CAN WE TALK" nights. As an executive we had hoped for a turn out of about 10 to 15 people. We were both surprised and impressed when 25 people showed up for the first meeting. C.L.U.B. Calgary's primary goal is to build a membership base; were now a membership soon to be 100 individuals. We then turned our focus to non-anti-gay and pro-gay charity; we held a small fund raiser during Christmas. Our third objective was to begin the education process, both for the members and for the gay community at large; we instituted the monthly rap groups, began to develop a reading resource centre located at Gay Lines, and published on a broader scale to a readership of about 4000 people. The constitution committees is still in the process of defining our mandate and major issues of being. It has become quite clear that the three major areas of activity for our organization are:

- 1) To provide a forum for social contact and self expression with like minded individuals, for both gay/bisexual men and women.
- 2) To provide a resource for education, in order to create greater gay public awareness and inter-group support. Networking with other groups with an emphasis on understanding.
- 3) To provide a vehicle for charity work and inter-community support to organizations and people who are not anti-gay, with a focus on those who are pro-gay. C.L.U.B. Calgary has come a long way, but still has a long way too. During this year I think we all expect to see tremendous growth in all areas of OUR club. As of today the organization consist of 67 paid members and this number will grow to quite near 100 during the next couple of months. Membership receipts have been issued on a temporary basis and will be replaced with official membership cards and "Dog Tags" during

the March event. What follows in this month's newsletter is information about upcoming events, special points of interest and news of other Leather/Levi organizations. We hope that you continue to enjoy our newsletter in its new location and if you are a first time reader interested in C.L.U.B. Calgary please feel free to contact Gay Lines and one of the executive will call you back.

## Recent History

**The Recovery Party:** We want to thank Off Center Eatery & Bar for hosting our first brunch & beer bash. A great time was had by all and we appreciated the effort made to make our club feel at home. Thanks again for the substantial donation, it really helps the club with the upcoming events.

**Valentine Pub Night:** Everyone was impressed by the turn out for



Rita knew she was at the wrong WHITE SALE, but she decided to stay and watch anyway.



this event and there were many people in attendance that were not C.L.U.B. Calgary members. Several people came from out of town, Edmonton, Saskatoon, and Vancouver. Cupid's Whip was won by one of Northern Chaps' Executive, Jim (have fun with it, Jim). Over all the event was extremely successful and we all can be proud. C.L.U.B. Calgary and the interest that the gay/lesbian community has taken in our organization.

## Events Calendar

Numerous events are in the works, if you are a non-member and would like more information about the upcoming events, you may contact us through Gay Lines referral service at (403) 243-8973 between the hours of 7 pm & 10 pm daily. If you are a member you probably have our numbers, if not refer to the Member's Only insert for more specific information. Everyone should feel comfortable in contacting the executive.

**March 1, Friday.... Leather/Levi Night at Boystown: Metro.** Metro has an ongoing Leather/Levi night on the first Friday of each month. There is a wide cross section in attendance and those of us who have attended are happy with the turn out of other like minded individuals. Although this is not a C.L.U.B. Calgary event it is usually a good time and well worthwhile. We will be doing a 50/50 draw in support of Mr. Drummer.

**March 3 Sunday 4 pm to 8 pm.... A.G.L.P. Kick off party.** This is a great opportunity to participate in helping the gay/lesbian community draw closer together. As "Modern Pink" launches their new magazine, Alberta Gay & Lesbian Press, and says good bye to the old we are involved as an organization by submitting our newsletter

along with other organizations to create a greater public awareness. Come on down and say hello to the staff and volunteers of the Press. If you have ordered T-Shirts you may pick them up during this event.

**March 13 Wednesday 7:30 pm sharp... "CAN WE TALK".** This is the evening of our monthly rap group. This month's topic is PIERCING. The address for this event is located in the Member's Only insert. Because of the nature of a discussion group we will begin on time and end on time. All of you who are late will be used in the demo to follow.

**March 16 Saturday 8 pm...** The pre party gathering. Check the Member's only insert for the address of this affair and join the party before we hit the main event. These gatherings have always been well attended. During the last couple of months while other things have happened we have not held them and they have been missed. It is an ideal way to get to know members of the club, in a slightly quieter setting. And of course it is a great opportunity to introduce new people to C.L.U.B. Calgary. If you are not a member and are interested in attending contact a C.L.U.B. Calgary member or Gay Lines and one of the executive will call you back.

**Saturday 10 pm... "Bunnies in Bondage".** This event will take place at the REKROOM (213A 10th Ave. S.W.). This is our first Easter celebration and it is also our first UNIFORM NIGHT. Come in the spirit of the party and enjoy the loads of laughs. There will be a great buffet, entertainment, and of course, no cover. If you are a member of C.L.U.B. Calgary your membership card and "Dog Tag" will be available for pick up. As with all of our events, everyone is welcome both members and non-

members.

**March 28 Thursday 10:30 pm... White Sale/Slave Auction.** Apollo has asked C.L.U.B. Calgary to coordinate a fund raising event for Aids Calgary Recreation Committee, during the Western Cup Tournament 10th Anniversary. All ten slaves are ready to be sold and eager to serve. Ernestine will be the mistress of ceremonies and David will be the guest auctioneer. This event is strictly for fun and no doubt will be one of the most entertaining evenings this Spring. We still need a few club members to help with the auction and with the C.L.U.B. Calgary booth. Please give any member of the executive a call if you are able to assist.

**April 9 Tuesday 7:30 pm... "CANWETALK",** the topic and location are yet to be determined but stay tuned.

**April 20 Saturday 10 pm... "Chaps & Cheeks".** April showers bring rosy cheeks almost immediately. Watch for details next month.

**April 27 Saturday... I.S.S.C.A. Coronation '91.** "Gothica: A Night of Dark Legends". Typically there is a large Leather/Levi crowd that attends these types of events from out of town. As we have been asked to participate in part of the shows, it would be great if we had a good representation from C.L.U.B. Calgary. If you need more information please contact the liason to the court (refer to the Member's Only insert).

**May 11... C.L.U.B. Calgary's Yard Sale and BBQ,** location TBA.

**May 24, 25, 26, 27, 28... International Mr. Leather in Chicago.** If you are interested in attending



you should be booking your tickets now. Several of our members are going and it should be a great weekend. If you can get away, contact the treasurer to make travel arrangements.

### July 12, 13 & 14, 1991...

**Mr Calgary Drummer...** Many of you already know, Calgary is hosting a Mr. Drummer contest. Presently we have a call for contestants and would like to see a fierce competition, involving contestants from all over the province. We would like to see at least one contestant from Edmonton. We will be expecting to hear from you soon. If you are interested in competing please contact the president. (see member's Only insert or contact Gay Lines) The winner of the contest will be sponsored to represent Albert at the next level of competition in Vancouver, August 1, 2, 3, 4, 5. There is an extensive prize package for the winner mounting to thousands of dollars. As the details of the winner's package are finalized we will be sure to let you know. Naturally the cost of holding a leather competition is no small amount. We appreciate the support of local bars and businesses as well as all of those who have attended recent functions. You can help by ordering a C.L.U.B. Calgary T-Shirt. These shirts are black in colour (or lack of colour) with a white and grey logo over the left pec/tit. A variety of sizes are available and can be purchased at any of our functions. Or if you would like, fill out the form and send it to us and we would be happy to mail it to you. Please make sure that you add \$2.50 for postage. Lapel pins have been ordered and will be available in April at \$4.00 for members and \$5.00 for non-members. Remember, 50/50 draws support the Mr. Drummer event.

**Late July Bike Run . . .** We are hoping to hold a bike run in late July possibly after Stampede Week which ends July 14. If you are interested in attending the bike run, then please contact the secretary of C.L.U.B. Calgary (see the Member's Only insert or contact Gaylines). It would be very helpful to get a feel for the number of people, province wide, that would like to attend.

### *Points of Interest*

C.L.U.B. Calgary is establishing a resource centre and needs your help. If you have any material, that you could donate, relating to the leather/levi community please contact the secretary of C.L.U.B. Calgary or send your material to C.L.U.B. Calgary, c/o Gay Lines, 201, 223 12th Avenue S.W. Calgary, Alberta, T2R 0G9. If everything goes as planned we should be able to provide a resource for most topics and many like organizations. The ideas to be instrumental in the education of fellow leathersmen as well as helping the larger gay community understand us, if they choose to become members. As you have read, the paid membership as of February 20 consists of 67 people. If you have not yet paid your membership and wish to be involved with our organization, please fill out the membership Application form and return it to the address indicated. Remember membership has its privileges: for example, numbered dog tags, reduced prices on pins and T-shirts, advance tickets for all events for less, and discounts at selected local businesses.

A special thanks to Rob, Dale, Paul, and Douglas for their efforts in compiling and writing this edition of the newsletter.

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# Deference to a Dark Side

by Douglas W. Robertson

Master  
well trained boys watch the floor  
but, my eyes, like bad dogs, creep to your feet  
Master, please allow me to see your boots  
the boots of renegade seaman  
the boots of slippery licking  
the boots of hot motorcycle engines  
the boots of shit kicker dry dust cowboy  
the boots of bad cops making deals with their cocks  
the boots that kick the tight guilty ass of convention  
please allow me to see your jacket  
the jacket of black bull hide  
the jacket of bare chested rebellion  
the jacket of all the hard dicked bombers over Dresden  
the jacket of back street boys luring queers for quick blow jobs  
the jacket of fifties back seat girls, sweat soaked, soiled prom queens  
please allow me to see your chest  
the chest of my heads cradle for long nights safe sleep  
please allow me to see your face  
the face with the stubble of miners and settlers and survivors  
please allow me to see your eyes  
the eyes of smouldering coal  
the eyes of driving hard bargains  
the eyes of dark silence demanding respect  
the eyes of a lone wolf staking territory on my body  
the eyes of a thief stealing into my heart and carrying off my innocence  
Master  
when you stand before me  
i'm a coyote drawn to your strong scent  
Master, allow me to smell your sweat  
the sweat of black earth  
the sweat of salty workouts  
the sweat of blue collar wet five o'clock workers  
the sweat of secret high school football team jockstraps  
the sweat of tough boys who masturbate behind schools, spew defiance all over the system  
please allow me to smell the oil of trucks and machine guns and Brylcream and backrooms and creosote  
Master  
you can bust this mustang  
i've wandered long, the hot, free plain  
Master, i need to feel your hand  
the hand of completion  
the hand of coming of age  
the hand of my father that strokes me to sleep  
the hand of blind fold before trial by fire  
the hand of pumping your iron dick, stream train piston  
the hand of the beast and the whip and the crop and the rein  
the hand of rough callus from salt air and hemp and the cocks of straight sailors  
i need to feel your meat  
the meat of big guns through glory holes banging their rounds down the barrel of my hungry throat  
the meat of rough trade sucked under false threats of beating  
the meat of those horny men who fuck like rutting rams  
the meat of drucken cowboys, rock hard, feigning sleep  
the meat of wild dogs howling  
the uncut meat  
the meat  
the meat of a man.

# MARTIN

Martin was one of my regular boys. He was a little on the tubby side, but full of mischief, with limits for agony only a torch singer could describe. And though I never compare my boys to one another or give them grades -- each one is unique and perfect unto himself--I have to admit, Martin was one of my favorites.

He had two special gifts: a panache for pleasing his Daddy which went way beyond the meaning of the term "sexpig", and a rare innocence regarding the S&M encounter, such that, no matter how many times I played with him, he made it seem like the first time.

Martin also possessed a great deal of perspective on the Leather lifestyle. He would obediently check his modest ego at the door of my dungeon for the hours he belonged to me, but he would collect it on the way out. Though, within the milieu of the encounter he could only be described as trashy, outside the dungeon he was my Brother, and a dynamic force in the organized Leather community that would have made the Marquis himself blush with shame.

Since I am describing Martin in the past tense, I don't think I have to fill you in on why he no longer slips behind the secret panel with me to make me a night. Nor am I writing about Martin, per se. It is actually Harry, Martin's surviving lover, I wish to tell you about.

Harry and Martin enjoyed one of those "till death do us part" relationships, about as rare these days as an honest televangelist. And, off hand, I can't think of any two people who were more opposite than Harry and Martin--

well, maybe Eleanor Roosevelt and Ma Barker, but, even then, it's a toss up.

At the funeral, each of us embraced a devastated Harry and asked, "Is there anything I can do?" In no case that I know of was that phrase delivered insincerely. When it was my turn, Harry pulled me aside for privacy and stared at me for a long unnerving moment. Then he said, "Yes, Daddy, there is something you can do."

I here set down, as faithfully as I can, what transpired over the next ten breathtaking minutes. "Yes, Daddy, there is something you can do. If you could spare the time, I'd like you to go over to my house when I'm not there and raid the refrigerator. Naturally, you'll eat exactly what I'm planning for dinner, and you'll dirty every glass in the house including some I don't even think I own. A few grease stains on the kitchen cabinet doors would be a nice touch, too. And I'd really appreciate it if you splashed something gooey on the floor, but, it has to be transparent so I don't notice it until I step in it. It possible, I'd like you to take a bath in my tub, too. See what you can do about leaving a ring around it that I can only get off with blasting caps. Then I'd like toothpaste splatters all over the bathroom mirror, but, only after you squeeze the Crest tube from the middle and lose the cap down the drain. The towels are easy. Just leave them all over the floor with the dampest one slung over the Governor Bradford chair in the hallway.

Then you can just relax and read the paper. But, when you're finished, the living room has to look like we're housebreaking a

new puppy.

The transmission in my Granada needs some work, Daddy.

Without Martin around to fix things, I just don't know what to do. Maybe you know a plumber who could open it up and put it back together. That way I'd have four speeds in reverse and one very slow steady speed forward. Then again, I'm sure you could find an auto mechanic to fix the drip in the set tub faucet the way Martin would have... ending up with hot water on the right and cold on the left.

Now, I know this is asking a lot, but, if you are going over to my place to torture the kitchen and the bathroom, I'd like you to slip into the bedroom and give the sheets a light dusting of Cheezits crumbs. Peanut shells won't work, they're too easily spotted. No, it has to be something I don't notice until I roll over onto them half asleep. And while you're in the bedroom, I'll need you to hang underwear on all the doorknobs. but, it has to be the bunny and kitten boxer shorts or it would just be a waste of effort. And speaking of the bedroom, maybe you could get one of your other boys to sleep with me once in a while. It would have to be someone with elbows like cypress knees and feet like ice packs. Naturally, he'd have to roll over in the middle of the night and pull all the covers off me. And if you could find a heavy snorer, I'd really appreciate it.

On second thought, the snoring is probably out of reach, even for your list of men. I'm used to noises at night that no other human voice could duplicate. Something between an asthmatic mule and a Sherman tank



with rocks in its carburetor. Quite frankly, sleeping is going to be a real problem for a while. But, there are some other noises you might help me with. Maybe you know someone with knuckles the size of walnuts who can come over and crack them for me. But, it has to be when I'm trying to balance the checking account. If it doesn't jangle me into making at least a \$27.00 mistake, it's a forget it. I'll let you borrow my recorder and maybe, when you get a chance, you and your buddies could get together and make a tape for me that I can play when things get real quiet and the house starts to close in on me. Newspaper rattling is real important I'll play it when I'm trying to concentrate on stock market quotations or some quiet dialogue in my favorite Barbara Stanwyck ten hankie reruns. And as long as we're talking sound effects, I'll need the grinding of a water Pic, too. And, goose it! It has to be Victoria Falls at the splash rock. I'll play that when I'm watching Magnum, P.I. and fantasizing what would happen if Tom Selleck knocked on my door. I'm sure you know a whistler or two, Daddy. But, he has to do the first ten bars of "Lucy In the Sky With Diamonds" over... and over.... Maybe you even know someone who does that long rasping sinus clearing sound. You know the one I mean. Inhale like he has marbles in his nose, exhale like he's going to spit. I told Martin on our first date that sound was disgusting and nauseating. I don't think he heard me. Martin made that sound every twenty minutes for all the years we were together.'

Harry paused and looked off in an odd direction for a time. Then he continued.

"If you know someone who isn't

loved because he makes that sound, Daddy, tell him he can come over to my place and make it any time he wants."

Harry embraced me. He stood, dry-eyed and stoic. Thanks for listening. Daddy. I think you're the only person in the world who could really understand. And, Daddy, keep the pressure on your boys about safe sex. Don't

let up for a second. I only wish you and Martin had met sooner." Then he walked away, as ever, the perfect host, making sure his and his lover's many diverse guests were properly attended to. Daddy Bob adds no footnote to this.

More when I get a chance,

Daddy Bob

## T - Shirt Order Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City: \_\_\_\_\_ Province: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Size; \_\_\_ small \_\_\_ medium \_\_\_ large \_\_\_ Ex-large

**\$10 for members \$12 for non members**

Form of Payment; \_\_\_ Cash \_\_\_ Cheque \_\_\_ Visa \_\_\_ Mastercard  
 If paying by credit card please fill in your card number and sign below.

Card Numer

Exp. Date

Signature

Send your membership application or T-Shirt order to C.L.U.B. Calgary, c/o Gay Lines, #201, 223 12 Ave S.W., Calgary, AB., T2R 0G9. Please do not send cash in the mail.

## Membership Applications

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
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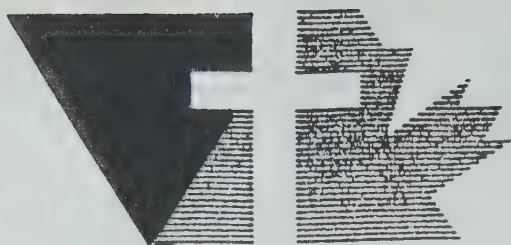
**C.L.U.B. Calgary membership is \$20.00 annually**

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## Dignity Calgary

Dignity Calgary is an ecumenical group of Gay and Lesbian Christians and their friends who meet together on a regular basis to worship, discuss

theologies, and celebrate fellowship. While many members come from a Roman Catholic background, membership is not limited to Roman Catholics

Dignity Calgary is one chapter of many that comprise Dignity Canada. Within Dignity Canada, it is possible to network with Lesbian and Gay Catholics and Christians across Canada. Dignity is organized to unite all Lesbian and Gay Catholics and Christians, to develop leadership and to be an instrument through which the gay and lesbian may be heard by the church and society. There are five areas of concern for Dignity Canada: Spiritual Development, Education, Social Involvement (toward individuals, with Gay and Lesbian Groups, and with religious and secular groups), Feminist Issues and Social events.

Dignity Calgary meets for celebration of liturgy on the first Thursday of each month at 5:45 pm. **For location and to make contact with our group, please phone Dan at 246 - 4036**

### **"God Chose Me Before I was Born"**

God chose me before I was born. In His/Her infinite love, wisdom and knowledge S/He gave me a special gift - the gift of being Gay. Yes, God has called me. S/He did not choose just my mind, just my body, just my speaking ability, just my caring. S/He chose **me** - the total and complete me. S/He not only chose me, but S/He made me. S/He has gifted me, and a portion of that gift is my being Gay.

I am called by this same loving God to be the best, the most total loving person I can be. To do this, I must learn to love myself as God loves me - completely, unconditionally, totally, with all my gifts including, and maybe especially, my gift of gayness.

God **chose** me before I was born to be a specially gifted one. I will no longer curse, but praise and celebrate the wonder and beauty of this gift.

*-Paraphrased from a writing by an anonymous Lesbian nun in*

**Theological Pastoral Resources**, a collection of articles on  
*homosexuality from a pastoral perspective.*



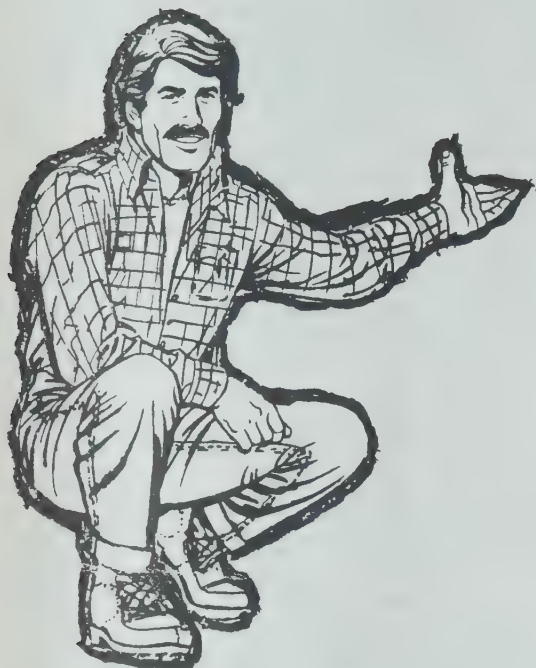
# Gay Lines Calgary

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A NON-PROFIT AND CHARITABLE ORGANIZATION

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Gay Lines Calgary is many things to many people. In the sixteen years there has been a phoneline in Calgary, our peer-counsellors have spoken with thousands of gay, lesbian and bisexual individuals seeking assistance in coming to terms with their sexual orientation; looking for information on bars, clubs and other gay/lesbian social spaces; and referrals to gay-affirmative doctors, lawyers and therapists. We recently began a Business Listing which already has forty-two gay/lesbian-owned or gay/lesbian-affirmative businesses ranging from accountants to veterinarians on file.

Gay Lines is completely volunteer-operated with seven gay/bisexual men working at least one 7pm - 10pm shift a week. Ideally, we would like to have two men on duty specific nights. If you are a gay or bisexual man over 25 years of age who is comfortable with your gayness/bisexuality, know the city, and feel you have something to contribute in helping other gay/bisexual men reach a point of acceptance and celebration of their sexuality and being --- give us a call!

Gay lines offers a comprehensive information and referral system. Our mandate is to supply information, referral, support, and peer-counselling to gay/bisexual men. Our information aspect includes not only bar/club/bath information, but also data on the almost forty community groups that help make up our communities. We supply a monthly Calendar of Events which lists happenings throughout the gay/lesbian/bisexual communities and may be of interest to that population be it social, cultural, or political. We have information on gay/lesbian/bisexual-owned (or affirmative) businesses, foreign information (guest houses, nightspots, what the legal climate toward homosexuality is in a particular country), and a 200 plus volume library of gay fiction, resource material and articles.

As peer-counsellors, we have a responsibility to be aware of our limitations and be able to make the appropriate referrals for those seeking additional counselling. We have an extensive network of gay/bisexual-affirmative professional counsellors, therapists, and psychologists, who also have referred clients to us.

We are not government funded. The community we serve has been supportive, and the bulk of our funding comes from a variety of gay/lesbian-directed businesses and community groups. Occasionally, we receive donations from individuals; these are **always welcome**. Gay Lines does have a Revenue Canada registration number (charitable status) so we are able to issue tax receipts. Operating a centre such as this costs money, not a lot, but expenses do pile up. Any and all donations are GREATLY appreciated. We also accept donations of coffee and condiments for our drop-in lounge.

We are open seven nights a week from 7 pm to 10 pm at #201, 223 12 Avenue S.W. (in the old Y building) or we may be reached at 234 8973. Give us a call or drop in for coffee sometime.

On behalf of the Collective

**Stephen Lock**  
Co-ordinator



In a homophobic culture, where it is still not very safe for Gay Men and Lesbians to reveal who they are; in churches of all denominations where Gay Men and Lesbians are not accepted for who they are openly, and very often judged; and even in the gay community itself where people are judged because of variations from the "norm" - for all these reasons it is important to have a safe place for gay people to

gather for worship. "Make MCC a safe place for everybody," said the Rev. Dennis Moore of San Jose in Los Angeles last summer. That is the motto of the Metropolitan Community Church of Calgary - a safe place for people of all sexual orientations, all denominational backgrounds and all personal lifestyles to gather for worship with-  
fear of judgement, scorn or rejection.

Mission Statement: MCC Calgary exists to offer fellowship and a Church home to all who confess or seek to confess belief in Jesus Christ; to provide a comfortable Christian environment conducive to personal and spiritual growth; and to provide a reassuring and affirming ministry especially to the Gay and Lesbian community in all aspects of their being.

Goals and Objectives are in the following main areas: Worship, Congregational Care, Evangelism, Education and Stewardship, and encompass the following programs and activities:

Sunday Services	Dances
Study Groups	Sharing the facility with community
Lay Leadership	Support Food Bank, Gay Lines
Coffee Fellowship	Support SHARP Foundation
Visitations	Retreat(Annually)
Encourage tithing	Restore interior of Building

In February, a new governing Board Structure was approved. The three main committees are Finance and Ways and Means; Building Maintenance and Improval; and Communications and In-Reach/Out-Reach. The chairperson of each committee, plus the Clerk(recording secretary) and the minister constitute the governing Board. Each committee has approximately four members each attending to a different function. In addition to the local governing Board, MCC Calgary is guided by and accountable to the Western Canada District, made up of reps. from congregations in Vancouver, Edmonton, Calgary and Winnipeg. The District Co-ordinator is the Rev.Bev.Baptiste of Winnipeg.

So come celebrate with us in worship at 11:00 any Sunday. Many people find the fellowship a real family of belonging. The liturgy of worship, the scriptures, the sermon and the sacrament give each person a new perspective on who they are. For each of us is a child of God, and in this knowledge we can affirm who we are, and be the kind of person in the world God would have us be. We invite you to come and experience fellowship and "growth in the spirit" in the safety of MCC Calgary.

Rev.George Millard



# Parents/FLAG CALGARY

*Parents & Friends of Lesbians & Gays*

PARENTS F.L.A.G. IS A MUTUAL  
SUPPORT GROUP WELCOMING  
PARENTS, SIBLINGS, SPOUSES,  
FRIENDS, LESBIANS AND GAYS.



## Why we organize

We want to help the family.

For most parents it is a difficult and painful experience to learn that their child is gay. Parents often react with feelings of guilt, denial, shame, anger, and a sense of complete failure. We know how they feel because we felt the same way. We want to help them see their children as we now see ours.

Children feel helpless, not understanding their parents' reactions. We are organized to reach out with support to meet, listen, suggest, reassure, and help to bridge the communication gap between parents and gays.

We are devoted to helping parents of gay offspring come to a greater understanding of our daughters and sons and to achieve an accurate view of homosexuality in general.

P/FLAG CALGARY MEETS ON THE  
SECOND TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH.  
OUR MEETINGS ARE INFORMAL, A  
SHARING OF OUR EXPERIENCES,  
FEELINGS AND THOUGHTS AS WE  
EXPLORE TOGETHER THE MEANINGS  
OF HOMOSEXUALITY IN OUR LIVES  
AND IN OUR FAMILIES.

FOR MEETING LOCATION

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A SUPPORT GROUP

FOR WIVES AND EX-  
WIVES OF BISEXUAL  
AND GAY MEN

- TO OFFER CARING SUPPORT  
IN A GROUP CONTEXT
- TO HELP WOMEN ADJUST TO  
CHANGE
- TO DEAL WITH NEGATIVE  
EMOTIONS
- TO ENHANCE FEELINGS OF  
WORTH AND PERSONAL  
IDENTITY
- TO FIND POSITIVE SELF  
IMAGE AND NEW DIRECTION



A WOMAN HAS JUST DISCOVERED  
THAT HER MATE IS GAY/BISEXUAL.  
SHE FEELS BETRAYED, DEEPLY  
HURT, ABANDONED AND FEARFUL.

IN A STATE OF SHOCK AND LONE-  
LINESS, SHE FEELS SHE HAS NO-  
ONE TO WHOM SHE CAN TURN. WHO  
WOULD UNDERSTAND?

NOT ALONE WAS INITIATED BY  
SUCH A WIFE TO PROVIDE A SAFE  
FORUM FOR OTHERS CAUGHT IN  
THIS TRAUMA. MEMBERS OF NOT  
ALONE DO UNDERSTAND. THEY  
HAVE BEEN THERE. AND THEY  
ARE AVAILABLE TO OFFER CARING  
SUPPORT TO THEIR SISTERS WHO  
FEEL THEIR WORLD HAS FALLEN  
APART.



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# Rocky Mountain Singers

## Who are we?

A group of women and men, gay people, their families and friends, who sing together.

## When do we rehearse?

Every Tuesday evening; 7:30 - 9:30 pm from September through June. Before concerts or other performances additional practices and workshops may be held.

## Where do we meet?

Metropolitan Community Church, 1703 - 1st Street NW (side entrance). Coffee is usually available; please donate 25 cents.

## What does it cost?

\$10 per month, payable the first rehearsal of each month.

## Whom do we need?

- 1) Singers (especially sopranos)
- 2) Non-singers; people who can help us to set up our concerts, look after organizational details, etc.

Our non-singing volunteers are very special to us! We depend on them to make our concerts, fundraisers, and tours a success. In return, non-singers become members and friends. So come join us to meet people in a mixed, fun group. We need people who can devote an hour a week, or an hour a month.

## What are the basic requirements?

A pleasant clear singing voice. A commitment to attend weekly rehearsals and pre-concert extras. A commitment to spend some time at home learning the choir repertoire. A willingness to help out with other aspects of the choir. You can try us out for two weeks before deciding to join.

## Who conducts?

Our Musical Director is Robb. He is working towards a masters degree in Music. We rely on our conductor for leadership in music and sound. Robb is always interested in hearing any ideas you may have about the music we sing.

## What do I wear?

For concerts: Black or dark pants, a white shirt, and a solid, pastel-coloured polo shirt. (Note: costume for Toronto/Ottawa is under review)  
For Christmas: add a red bow tie (men) or a red scarf (women)

## How do I get music?

On your first visit to *Rocky Mountain Singers* you will probably have to share music with another member. Once you have decided to join us, we can sign you up (we need name, address, and phone number, and a music deposit of \$10. The deposit is refundable when you return all the sheet music). Please remember that you are responsible for your own music. Our librarian is Chrie.

## What if I have to miss a practice?

Attendance and promptness are important. Please tell us if you will be late or cannot come.

Phone: 243-3702  
Diane - 243-3702  
Luke - 242-0081  
Attendance is recorded at each practice.

## When are the concerts?

- 1) June 21, 1991 (Pride Week)
- 2) June 29 & 30, 1991 (Toronto/Ottawa)
- 3) December 1991 (Christmas)
- 4) Other Events (Seniors' Homes, MCC Palm Sunday, Apollo Western Cup, etc.)

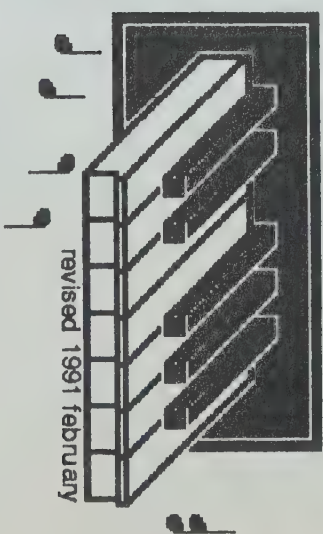
## Who runs Rocky Mountain Singers?

We are a registered non-profit society. Our Annual General Meeting will be held in March 1991, when we vote for 6 members to be on the Board of Directors. (These 6 members then decide amongst themselves who will be President, Vice-President, Recorder, Treasurer, and Publicity.) Our current Board: Angela, Diane, Karl, Luke, Tracy and Val.

## What is GALA?

It is the Gay and Lesbian Association of Choruses, an international association of over 90 choirs, including more than 4000 singers. There are six Canadian members: *Rocky Mountain Singers*, Vancouver Men's Chorus, Ottawa Men's Chorus, Nova Scotia Gay Men's Chorus, Toronto Gay Men's Chorus, and the Lesbian and Gay Choir of Vancouver.

Along with these groups, RMS is planning to attend GALA Choruses Festival IV in Denver, June 28-July 4, 1992. Plan now to join us!



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**AIDS Calgary Awareness Association** is a volunteer, community based, non-profit, health organization which promotes awareness of HIV infection and AIDS; provides information and education about HIV/AIDS for the general community; and provides support for those affected directly or indirectly by HIV/AIDS.

Started by concerned volunteers in 1985, we presently have 175 volunteers and 13 staff who serve our diverse education clients and approximately 175 Support Services clients.

We rely on community volunteer, financial support, advice and assistance. We'll keep you updated on current trends and programs through this column. We look forward to continuing a close working relationship with the gay and lesbian community in our fight against HIV and AIDS.

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3. Come Together, **PRIMAL SCREAM**
4. Made Up My Mind, **SA - FIVE**
5. Love Me Forever, **TRILOGY**
6. What's It Gonna Be, **JELLY BEAN**
7. Being Boring, **PET SHOP BOYS**
8. Got 2 Be Free, **NEWLIVE**
9. Alice Everyday, **BOOK OF LOVE**
10. I've Been Thinking About You, **LONDON BEAT**

### 318

318 17 AVE S.W.

1. Yeah Yeah, **SABRINA**
2. To Go Crazy, **LEE MORROW**
3. Another Sleepless Night, **MIKE "HITMAN" WILSON**
4. Stop in The Name Of Love, **QUANTIZE**
5. What Is Sadness, **DEVICE**
6. Rock 'n Back Inside My Heart, **JULEE CRUISE**
7. Set Me Free, **BEVERLEE**
8. I Need You, **49 ERS**
9. Shake It Up And Dance, **MASTERBOY**
10. Let's Go Crazy, **INDRA**

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5. Te Amd Mé Gusta, **RAIMUNDA NAVARRO**
6. I Found Love, **TECHNODIVA**
7. Mary Had A Little Boy, **SNAP**
8. Amor Suave, **ISAMAR**
9. 24 Hours, **BETTY BOO**
10. Keep Smiling, **CONFETTI'S**

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3. Homicide, **SHADES OF RYTHM**
4. Tricky Disco Megamix X, **VARIOUS**
5. Who Want's To Be, **THOMPSON TWINS**
6. Anthem, **NJOI**
7. Operaa House, **MALCOLM McLAREN**
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**Deadline for next month's classifieds is March 24. Don't miss out - place your ad early!**

**Dirty old** Buddha-type body (-3 lbs.) that's 48 years matured, looking for friends and companionship (especially Asian and Native). No free-loaders, druggies or drunks. Must be well adjusted. Send dirty pictures and stories. Will answer all - maybe. **AGLP Box 23.**

If you are interested in joining a **photography group**, interested in developing, etc., please contact Brent through Gay Lines at 234-8973.

**Gay Lines Social Club** was formed to bring gay men together, and offers an alternative to the usual social environments. Future activities include: dining out, wine & cheese parties, card & board games, sports activities, live entertainment, excursions and weekend retreats. Regular monthly meetings are held the first Wednesday of each month. Everyone is welcome to attend. For more information contact **Gay Lines** at 234-8973.

**ME:** 'Drakkar Noir' G/W/M, downtown professional (20's) new to Calgary, longish neatly kept blonde hair, lover of the arts, equally comfortable in a suit or a sweatshirt and jeans.

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Reply to **AGLP Box 26.**

**Professional** GMW, twenties, wants to leave the office behind with muscular, bohemian artist (dancer preferred). I'm conservative, but in appearance only. I want to share in the arts, intellectual pursuits and athletic activities. I like men a little wild, but you must be someone I can take home to mother. **AGLP Box 25.**

**Are you a vampire?**

**AGLP Box 34.**

**Wanted; G/W/M**, 27-35, who has traditional values for a serious relationship. Must be open minded, honest and trustworthy. Likes light-rock, C&W music, nature and a variety of interests. Practices safe sex! **Must** be ready to settle down. I'm a G/W/M, 27, blonde, blue eyes, 5'9", 130 lbs, slim build and live in Red Deer. If you're the miracle I'm waiting for please reply with photo included. **AGLP Box 30.**

**If you** were the person seeking a ride from the grey Monte Carlo last November by the Sears mall in Lethbridge, please contact me. **AGLP Box 31.**

**Red Deer G/W/M**, 5'11", 135 lbs, straight appearing, sincere, into safe sex, fun, music. Looking for straight appearing & acting males up to 35 years of age for friendship or possible relationship. Reply with photo if possible, all will be answered. **AGLP Box 38.**

**Serious G/W/M**, 38, Calgarian transplanted (reluctantly) to East, wants to return to the golden West, wishes to correspond or chat long-distance with same, 25 to 50, in Calgary and area. Likes include

books, writing, performing arts, travel. Mad on Prairie history, committed Christian (Alleluia MCC, people please note). Returns often to Calgary, hopes to come back for good in 1991. Really good friend to right guy. Discretion assured. Photo and long letter appreciated. Have a heart, write a note. Thanks. **AGLP Box 29.**

**Single white male**, 24, novice body builder, looking to meet same 22-30 for friendship & training partner/mentor. I like a wide variety of music, skiing, cycling, racquetball, cars, dancing, movies, art, photography, long walks, quiet times and a good laugh. Relationship maybe. If this sounds like you, let's talk. John, #213-10234 167 St. Edmonton AB T5P 4H4.

**Artist in Lethbridge** seeks same or an artistically inclined individual to help break into the art scene. **AGLP Box 32.**

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*Okay, so you don't have a touch tone phone? You can call our office at (403) 266-4548. Sorry, we can not accept collect calls.*

**Looking for a male** person under 30 years old to help me look for a 2 bedroom apartment for us to share starting April 1. Rent should be no higher than \$600 and the person should be working downtown (as a professional, or any kind of work downtown.) Call 228-5484 for more information.

**Gay single mother**, 35 years old, looking for friendship and perhaps possible relationship. Romantic and honest. Not into the bar



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scene; social drinker. If you are interested, please call 276-4965.

**Roommate:** gay and lesbian couple (22 & 30), non-scene, seeks roommate to share 3 bedroom apartment in Radisson Heights, Calgary. Close to LRT. Rent is \$260, all utilities incl. \$260 damage and security deposit. Call 235-1204.

**Ginger:** congratulations on your new Cougar. Enjoy!

Anonymous.

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**Gay male couple** has large 4-level split in Riverbend. Furnished or unfurnished room available. Full household privileges. Info available after 6 p.m., 236-5925.

**Roommate wanted** to share 2 bedroom downtown townhouse (Edmonton). \$375, includes all utilities. Call Bob, 425-8007.

***Oops! Is your message missing?** Several messages were lost in late February due to a problem with our 1-800 equipment. We're sorry for any inconveniences this may have caused.*

**Rocky Mountain Singers** are having a fund-raising dance in order to go to Toronto. It will be at Victoria Park on May 4, 1991. Tickets \$5. Starts at 8 p.m., DJ will be Brad.

**Good-looking 27 year-old** bisexual male looking for female couple to show me the way of bisexual life. Please reply to Robert Clayton, General Delivery, P.O. Box H, Calgary, AB., or phone 271-4597. Please leave message and be discrete.

**Male 27-years old** looking for male bodybuilders. Please call 271-4597, ask for Robert.

**Young gay male** would like to meet others to develop friendships first and relationship later. Fit, attractive, drugfree, N/S, S/D. Not into fems or barflies. Randy, AGLP Box 37.

**Roommate wanted:** responsible male/female to share duplex with 2 other males in north/central area (Tuxedo). Fully furnished, except bedroom. Rent is \$275, all utilities included, cable/Superchannel. Damage deposit is \$225. Available immediately. Please call 277-9599.

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**Enjoy reality?** Realist, looking for acquaintances and friends - a man's word is his honor. Enjoy conversation, coffee, XXX movies and going Dutch to outings. Reply AGLP Box 40.

**Female new to Calgary**, would like to meet female between 30 and 40 for friendship and caAGLPing this summer. Reply in confidence to AGLP Box 39.

**Physically fit**, HIV+ male seeks same. I'm 5'9", 165 lbs, dk. blonde, green eyes, into bodybuilding and fitness. If you are between 25 and 40, sincere, and can laugh at life, Reply AGLP Box 35.

**Very attractive GWM** (6', 160 lbs), late twenties, educated, intelligent, masculine, reliable, financially secure, stable. I'm a hopeless romantic who is looking for a sincere, open, honest, long-term relationship; HIV+, healthy, trim and physically fit. I have an extreme degree of interests and hobbies. Seeking attractive men, 25-40, who have the same characteristics and attributes. Mustache a definite asset. Sincere replies only, phone number appreciated. Friendship is first priority. Reply AGLP Box 36.

**Wanted:** self-confident, high energy, responsible, service oriented individuals for various FT/PT positions with Calgary's hottest new dance bar and restaurant. Apply, with resume, to Moosie's.

Male seeks male roommate. Call 229-9783.

**Single white lady**, attractive, 32, good physical shape. I enjoy movies, cross-country skiing, camping and a quiet evening with someone special. Sound like you? If so, write me care of AGLP Box 41.

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